

## **Hapū Kaikōrero Role Description**

<b>Role title:</b>	Hapū Kaikōrero
<b>Reports to:</b>	Te Rōpū O Tūhoronuku, Ngāpuhi Hapū and Negotiators
<b>Represents:</b>	Electing Ngāpuhi Hapū
<b>Supported by:</b>	Tūhoronuku Project Team

**Vision:** To progress the settlement negotiations of Te Tiriti o Waitangi/The Treaty of Waitangi claims against the Crown and to provide an enduring resolution to historical claims for and on behalf of the Ngāpuhi Nation.

**Purpose:** To maintain the mandate conferred upon Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku by the Ngāpuhi people, to negotiate a settlement and to review and confirm a strategic direction for Ngāpuhi throughout the settlement process.

### **The Role**

1. The role of the Hapū Kaikōrero is to represent the interests of their electing Ngāpuhi Hapū at all meetings while keeping in mind the best interests of Ngāpuhi whānui.
2. To contribute to and support the work of Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku and to carry out the functions of a Kaikōrero of their Hapū.
3. The role of a Hapū Kaikōrero will focus on communicating the settlement negotiations progress. This role is separate and distinct from the role of Te Rōpū o Tūhoronuku Representative, Negotiator, Kaumātua or Kuia. The role will also involve direct discussions with the Ngāpuhi Negotiators.
4. The Hapū Kaikōrero will be a conduit of communication, information and feedback between Tūhoronuku Hapū Representatives and the Hapū.
5. The Hapū Kaikōrero by nature of his/her role is expected to be the most informed person within the Ngāpuhi Nation on their Hapū issues. It is expected that Hapū Kaikōrero will work closely as a team, with each providing thoughtful input to discussions at each meeting.
6. The collective responsibility principle of Tūhoronuku means that although individual Hapū Kaikōrero may disagree on an issue, they must publicly support the majority decision. Kaikōrero must always act for the good of Ngāpuhi as a whole.

### **Responsibilities**

1. Meetings:
  - a) attend Tūhoronuku Kaikōrero meetings (and others that may be called from time to time);
  - b) attend Hui, Wānanga and training sessions as a Hapū Kaikōrero;
  - c) have a high attendance priority for all meetings of Tūhoronuku;
  - d) be prepared to discuss the issues and business addressed at scheduled meetings having read the agenda and all background material relevant to the meeting topics;

- e) maintain confidentiality where matters of a confidential nature are discussed; and
- f) observe meeting procedures and display courteous conduct in all meetings.

2. Governance:

- a) Appoint the Hapū Representatives to Tūhoronuku and;
- b) avoid conflicts of interest between the position as a Hapū Kaikōrero and positions held with other organisations or in personal life. If such a conflict does arise, this will be declared before Tūhoronuku and the Kaikōrero will refrain from discussing matters in which there is a conflict.

3. Communication:

- a) act as the link between Ngāpuhi Hapū and Tūhoronuku;
- b) report to Hapū, verbally and leave a written report as a permanent record;
- c) ensure relevant issues of importance are communicated to Hapū and to Tūhoronuku utilising all or some of the following methods:
  - The Ngāpuhi publication Pono Marika and/or other publications where appropriate;
  - The [www.tuhoronuku.com](http://www.tuhoronuku.com) website
  - Mail or email
  - Press releases, advertisements or articles where appropriate
  - Hui-A-Hapū/Marae/Iwi
  - Through pānui, newsletter, website and reports by Trustees to their respective Takiwa affiliates;
- d) have the ability to represent their Hapū perspective, regularly liaise with Marae and their Hapū to obtain their views regarding the progress of the settlement negotiations in order to provide feedback to Tūhoronuku regarding the direction of the settlement negotiations and the issues that are being considered; and
- e) represent Tūhoronuku in a positive and supportive manner at all times and in all places, even when in a minority position on such actions.

4. Professional Development

- a) Participate in development opportunities that may be provided in order to augment any skills as a Hapū Kaikōrero.