



Annual Report

2014 - 2015

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Take Kōrero

E ngā uri whakatupu o Ngā Wairiki, o Ngāti Apa, he mihi nui ki a koutou. Ko te inoi ki a koutou, tautoko mai ki tō koutou Rūnanga e mahi nei, e akiaki nei, mō ā tātou Iwi. Whakarongo mai ki ngā kōrero nei, e whakaatu ana i ngā hua katoa kua puta mai i te tau kua pahuri. Kei te haere tonu ngā whakaaro mō rātou kua ngaro. Ka haere hoki ngā whakaaro whakatupu mō ngā whakatupuranga hei apōpō. Nō reira, e te Iwi, tautoko mai, whakaaro mai hoki. Tēnā koutou katoa.

This annual report applies to the year spanning Puanga 2014 to Puanga 2015. For financial purposes, this year is defined as commencing 1 July 2014, to 30 June 2015. This has been a busy period for the Rūnanga with new ground being broken, particularly in the cultural space. The Rūnanga is focused on three strategy areas, Taiao (environment), Mātauranga (Knowledge) and Pākahukahu (economic activity). Support activities include Hapū Development, Administration, Communications and Information Technology.

In reflecting on this year, it has been a period of broad activity and learning. Subcommittees were established corresponding with the three strategy areas, and this approach is being consolidated in the current financial year. In the area of economic activity, Ngāti Apa Developments Limited continues to follow a strong growth agenda, having completed the first year of the Te Hou Farms Limited Partnership. Further land development projects are being investigated, and we can look forward to a programme of new investments and initiatives in coming years, under Ngāti Apa Developments Limited.

Mātauranga activities, linked with the Hapū Coordinator initiative, has enabled an unprecedented number of hapū wānanga, promoting identity, visiting ancestral sites and bringing strength to the cultural identity of our whānau, hapū and Iwi. Lessons learnt have led to the launch in this current year of the Maripi Tuatini programme, which has commenced very successfully.

Looking after people in our rohe, through our social service and health operation remains a significant part of what we do within the Taiao programme. The Service has new and improved facilities in Marton, and spirits within the team appear very high. Integrating the Service within the Taiao Kaupapa has given the service an established strategic position within the overall kaupapa of the Rūnanga. From the Rūnanga perspective, kaitiakitanga over the environment extends to looking after the people in our rohe, and this is basis for this strategic positioning.

Taiao is now also being extended into “hands on” environmental enhancement programmes, such as the recent dune planting programme that was implemented by the new Iwi Conservation Kids programme, called Tamariki Taiao.

I am therefore pleased to present this annual report to the Iwi. The Rūnanga is continuing to move forward, and having the support from our people and our whānau remains all important. I also look forward to seeing whānau at our upcoming AGM at Whangaehu Marae, on 6 December 2015.

Heoi anō



Pahia Turia, Tumu Whakarae - Chairman

Te Whāinga Nui – The Vision

E mura ana ngā ahi kā o Ngā Wairiki, o Ngāti Apa.

The fires of hapū occupation and influence in Ngā Wairiki and Ngāti Apa are well tended and are burning fiercely.

Te Rākau Matua



The paiaka at the foundation of the rākau matua are the key to establishing the kaupapa for the Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa Group.

Ngā Pae o Rangitīkei

The collective arrangement including all hapū with rights on the Rangitīkei River is both an expression of Rangatiratanga, Kotahitanga and Kaitiakitanga. It has been in existence for over 10 years now and is currently working well. A comprehensive funding application has been made to the Ministry for the Environment (Te Mana o Te Wai Fund) which, if successful, will secure resources to enhance the Makowhai Catchment, which drains into the Rangitīkei River from the South. Project plans are also being prepared for some clearance work to be done on the Te Awahou Pā in the lower reaches. Work remains to be done on cohesion for the group but it remains a favoured model for working with regional councils and government in some instances. This group has the potential to be a framework for future co - governance of the Rangitīkei catchment.

2015-2016:

- This forum is continuing to meet, and the Te Mana o te Wai Fund application is in the final stages of approval, and it is anticipated the substantial parts of the application will be funded.
- Continue to participate energetically, and look for opportunities for collective leverage which in turn provide benefits for Ngā Wairiki - Ngāti Apa.

Rangitīkei Environment Theme Group

This group has been analysing what its next steps are in a resource environment, which is continually shifting and changing. It is a reasonably new initiative, and Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa is involved in an expression of rangatiratanga, and in the expectation that this process could add significant value to Iwi kaitiakitanga aspirations. In the context of the Manawatū River accord, the resource attained there was unprecedented and not likely to be emulated again anytime soon. However, the willingness is still there and enthusiasm is strong in the upper areas of the Rangitīkei catchment. Hautapu River people have decided to pursue the formation of a catchment care group and then tackle the issues they have around willow infestation, old man’s beard and sewage discharge. Other recreational and enhancement opportunities are being supported as well around the Bulls Bridge area and Kakariki where Horizons Regional Council are looking to build on community planting initiatives and develop these visible river connection areas. The strategic objective with this initiative is for Ngā Wairiki - Ngāti Apa to gain insight and develop relationships with community and business partners to drive environmental improvements in the Rangitīkei Catchment, and then apply into our other significant catchments over time. If we are to improve water quality significantly and address biodiversity degradation then we have to grow our networks, knowledge and capacity, in order to be a leader in this space.

2015-2016:

- Continue to maintain presence within the group.
- Seek opportunities for the facilitation and advancement of Ngā Wairiki - Ngāti Apa strategic objectives for the Rangitīkei catchment.

Rangitīkei River Scheme Liaison Group

This group meets quarterly to provide a sounding board for Horizons in regard to the management of the flood protection and general management of the Rangitīkei River. There are similar groups for some of the tributaries and the Whangaehu / Mangawhero Rivers as well. Being partners in Te Hou Farms as well as owners of the small blocks returned in our settlement at Waitapu and Pakapakatea, means we have a real stake in this scheme, which is geared towards farmers and landowners. Being able to join these types of groups contributes to kaitiakitanga aspirations for hapū and Iwi, as well as rangatiratanga, by providing an iwi voice and expressing hapū and iwi values in a forum that has traditionally been dominated by non-Māori. The periodic review carried out several years ago recommended managing the river within a 'fairway' area which means sites of significance within this zone need to be recognised and managed accordingly. The work of this scheme dovetails into other initiatives that we are participating in on the river.

2015-2016:

- Continue to participate on the liaison group.
- Work with our hapū around wāhi tūpuna and wāhi tapu disclosure protocols and management.

Hunting & Recreation Rights

Controlling hunting and recreation rights on Iwi owned land is an expression of rangatiratanga, recognising that these rights belong to the Iwi. The Rūnanga agreed some time ago that once we had found competent managers of hunting rights we would explore the idea of taking the management of hunting on Iwi land back. With Mark Pirikahu now employed by TRONA this opportunity has arisen. We are discussing our first hunting right management regime with Rayonier and whilst there has been some initial reluctance on their part, we are now starting to make some real progress. It is the Rūnanga opinion that access rights to hunt belong exclusively to the Iwi, however we are encountering situations where non-Iwi members have assumed this right, and taking these rights back is a process.

2015-2016:

- Agree Hunting Right Management Plan with Rayonier / Matariki Forests.
- Begin looking at hunting rights and recreation rights in the Santoft forest

Resource Consents

There have been a number of significant resource consents at various points of their respective processes over the last 12 months. The Landfill extension consent at Bonny Glen has been granted. We had extensive discussions with the applicant Mid - West Disposals, which culminated with them agreeing to fund Nga Ariki annually for education grants and environmental initiatives primarily in regard to the Kahurauponga stream that passes by the landfill.

Several wastewater plants have had their consents renewed (or in the process of renewal) including the Hunterville plant that disposes into the Pourewa Stream. We will also receive an annual payment from the applicant, being the RDC for water quality projects on the Pourewa.

The Bulls plant is yet to be lodged but there have been a number of discussions along the line of trying to get RDC to consider favourably summer time land treatment options. This is proving

difficult but they are taking the matter seriously. The Marton plant will also be up for review within the next 12 months.

Consent can also be utilised for securing the beginnings of a relationship. This has been done in terms of working with Hyde Park Farms who have a significant portion of the Koitiata stream catchment on their farm. Biodiversity projects and access rights for tuna have been achieved with the opportunity for further projects as we progress the relationship.

In considering the aspects related to resource consents, it can be seen that value can be gained in terms of rangatiratanga, by Iwi and hapū having a voice, and through kaitiakitanga, whereby better environmental outcomes can be achieved by Iwi being aware of better options, and arguing for these options.

2015 - 2016

- Continue to participate in significant resource consent and RMA processes, to seek tangible outcomes for the environment and for hapū, and to grow hapū capacity to uphold their role as kaitiaki within their respective rohe.

Rōpū Taiao

This was established within the last 12 months and has a good mix of talents and initiative. The merging of Hauora and Taiao was significant in terms of shifting the framework for taiao to include the health well-being of the people as well as our other natural resources. The coastal planting and toheroa re-seeding initiative was the headline project along with other catalyst initiatives such as hui for tuna, raranga and rongoa.

Projects will be more Iwi wide to begin with but it is envisaged that hapū will play lead roles in future taiao projects that are relevant to them.

2015 - 2016

- Progress the coastal planting and toheroa re-seeding programme.
- Implement initial initiatives looking at tuna, raranga and rongoa.

Relationship building – Local and Regional Government

Relationships with local and regional government are an important aspect of the work of rōpū taiao. District plan reviews have been completed with Horowhenua DC and a rolling review of Whanganui DC and Manawatu DC continues. Long term plans for RDC and Horizons have also been participated in. Many other initiatives within this report as well as others to do with economic development for example all add up to these entities being one of our most significant partners. This activity has elements of rangatiratanga and kotahitanga, particularly when the Iwi is able to work directly with local government to effect positive changes.

2015-2016

- Utilise annual planning process more effectively to secure resources for projects in Taiao.
- Continue to identify joint initiatives that help progress Ngā Wairiki - Ngāti Apa objectives.

Government Agency Relationships

The Department of Conservation relationship has improved since their own restructure. However there is a great distance to go as some initiative from the Palmerston North office needs to be matched from the Whanganui end of our rohe. We have dealt with their Conservation Management Strategies (CMS) work worked through some matters about respective priorities and our protocol from the treaty settlement. There is simply further work to be done to weave the department into our collaborative initiatives for taiao enhancement.

The Ministry of the Environment also needs to be engaged with. We have had some contact in the past but we are now in a better position to utilise their support for taiao planning and management. This needs to be picked up in early 2015 – 2016.

2015-2016

- Engage early with Ministry for the Environment regarding Environmental / Taiao strategy and planning development
- Advance planning & management work in order access and utilise external resources to give impetus to taiao initiatives and strategies.
- Continue with relationship building with DOC and other relevant agencies

Te Kotuku Hauora

Within Kaupapa Taiao, Te Kōtuku Hauora is an established and significant operating unit. It is the Iwi health and social service provider based in Marton providing support to whānau in the Rangitikei, including Whangaehu, Ratana, Kauangaroa and Rata. The small team works across a number of contracts including Whānau Ora, social work, mental health and addictions, Tamariki Ora and Te Pūnanga Haumarū. Te Kotuku Hauora is an expression of manaakitanga, kaitiakitanga and rangatiratanga, in terms of actively supporting people living within the Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa rohe.

When whānau access the services, assessments are conducted with all new referrals and staff work alongside the whānau to identify their needs and come up with strategies to support them appropriately. Information gathered from hospital discharges, referrals, GP and Specialists assist us to reflect on our service provision and whether our way of working is conducive to the needs of our whānau, hapū and Iwi.

Te Kotuku Hauora is involved in an impressive range of activities and initiatives, and Te Kotuku staff have also assisted with a number of Iwi events such as the Kaumātua Christmas Celebration, Apa Rising and the Iwi Chairs hui that was held in May. A full report from Te Kotuku Hauora is attached as Appendix One, chronicling a full account of actions and activities throughout the year, and highlighting some of the excellent progress that is being made.

2015-2016

- For the next 12 months, there will be a continuation of the themes of improvement, relationship building and capability development which have come through strongly in the past 12 months, within a bigger focus on better outcomes for whānau.

Kaupapa Mātauranga

The last 12 months (Matariki 2014 to Puanga 2015) have been one of both excitement as well as establishing praxis and protocols by which we intend to go forth. It has been a busy year and although it has ended less than celebratory, due to weather conditions and a high incidence of tangihanga, we are still looking into a future that has a great outlook. The Mātauranga programmes and activities from this reporting period are:

Mātauranga and Reo Strategies

This year saw the completion and adoption of the first Mātauranga and Reo strategies for the Rūnanga. The plans were developed in house by the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga team, following extensive engagement with whānau and hapū through a number of hui held throughout the year. Importantly, feedback from the engagement process has informed the strategies, and is now driving implementation, with flagship endeavours including the Whangaehu Awa Hikoi, the Mentorship programme and the Maripi Tuatini Scholarship programme.

2015-2016

- Continue with implementation of the Mātauranga and Reo Strategies.

Marae Wānanga

7 wānanga were organised by the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga team this year, on multiple Marae, taking the message from the Rūnanga around Mātauranga, reo and tikanga out to the people. Engagement in these hui was good, with highlights including a regular format which ensured the wānanga was not restricted to the confines of the Marae, but went out on the awa and the Moana, and explored ancestral sites and history. The Mātauranga and Reo strategies were developed throughout this wānanga process, demonstrating that the strategies were developed through engagement at this Marae and hapū level. Whilst this wānanga programme will not continue in future years in this format, the capacity in the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga is now being applied to areas that were identified in the feedback from these wānanga, culminating in the Awa hikoi, the mentorship programme and the Maripi Tuatini Scholarship programme.

2015-2016

- Support Hapū driven wānanga processes as and where possible.

Tangaroa

A new theme that has been introduced this year is rebuilding the relationship between our whānau of Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa and our ancestral streams, rivers, lakes and ocean. Through their background and networks, the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga team has been able to partner with an expert deliverer named Rob Hewitt, and two providers namely the Coastguard Boating Education organisation and Te Whare Wānanga o Awanui-a-Rangi delivering programmes such as Basic Sea Survival, Day Skippers, Boat Master and Customary Fishing. This theme is at an early stage of development, and it will evolve in the coming years. Our whānau and hapū were historically expert navigators and fishers, and the Rūnanga strongly supports development of this theme.

2015-2016

- Continue with the Tangaroa theme.

Te Aumangea

Te Aumangea is a NZ Army initiative that develops a conventional soldier, sailor & airman into a more diverse warrior that is ready to deploy at minutes notice. Coupled with leadership, pure toughness and cultural resilience this project traversed the mid reaches of the Whanganui River and also areas throughout Nga Wairiki-Ngāti Apa rohe with the support of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa.

The Managing Director Daryn Te Uamairangi welcomes opportunities for candidates to mix, mingle and engage with the community environment, reap the benefits of local resources as much as win the hearts and minds of the people. Daryn hails from the Kapea whānau within Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa. This opportunity has generated a strong relationship with the NZ Army with much generosity and thanks for local Iwi support.

2015-2016

- The Runanga will continue to proactively foster relationships with the NZ Army and the NZ Defence forces, as they are a large presence in and around our Iwi rohe and there may be significant advantages in maintaining relationships with the Defence forces for the years to come.
- The Rūnanga will continue to support the activities of Te Aumangea in the Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa rohe given that this activity both supports relationship building with the NZ Army as well as supports an initiative that is being led by an Iwi member.

Conferences

The team had the opportunity to attend a couple of conferences on Education over the past year.

One conference was held in Rotorua as part of the Iwi Leaders forum on Education. Although the workshops that were held at this conference highlighted how far ahead we are in terms of educational strategic planning and action, it was still a great opportunity to network with other iwi and gain some intimate knowledge about where we could improve our own thinking. It also provided opportunities to seek out new avenues for our own development strategies for our rangatahi and others.

Another conference was the Pae o te Mārama Conference held in Ōtaki. This conference centred on Mātauranga Māori and where it could lead us into the future. One of the team was available to

attend and participated in a number of workshops whilst there. Like the previous conference, there were some opportunities to network and share ideas as well as gauge the levels of responsiveness amongst other sectors as to the wants and needs of our people on a national scale. Again what was highlighted was how much further we were along from others in the Education sector, regardless of affiliation.

Contractual Arrangements with MoE

As outlined in the Contract with the Ministry of Education, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa was required to

- Develop an engagement plan;
- Develop an Education Strategy;
- Develop a Reo Māori Strategy;
- Develop an Implementation Plan; and
- Develop an improved Ngāti Apa Iwi Education Database.

As at the writing of this brief, all except the last requirement have been successfully completed by the due date. The last bulletpointed item is still being addressed, with the final report and actioning of this kaupapa to be completed on or before September 2015.

Maripi Tuatini

Towards the end of the financial year, a lot of effort was invested into developing a flagship programme called Maripi Tuatini. The concept for this programme was created by the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga team, and was then developed by the Team, in consultation with the Rūnanga management team, the Chair of the Rūnanga and a specially selected advisory group. This is a scholarship programme where qualification for the scholarship is based on attendance at organised Maripi Tuatini noho and a number of other events. Around the programme, there will be support for participants as they work throughout the year. The two focus areas are identity as Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa, as well as secondary school educational success, leading to tertiary education and advanced training.

Maripi Tuatini was launched in this current financial year, and was a tremendous success, leading to a full commitment from the Rūnanga to continue with the programme, and 31 participating rangatahi keen to participate in the next event which is the Whangaehu Awa hikoi.

Some of the kaupapa contained within Maripi Tuatini are:

- National Certificate in Seafood (Māori Customary Fishing) Level 2-3
- Driver Licence Training – Learners to Full Licence
- Basic Sea Survival
- Day Skipper
- Boatmaster
- VHF Marine Radio Operators Licence
- Nutrition and Exercise
- Te Reo Ōkawa and Te Reo Ōpaki
- Whakapapa kōrero
- Financial Literacy
- Kōrero tārau o te kāinga

- Leadership Training
- Resilience Training

2015-2016

- Implement and drive the Maripi Tuatini programme.

Mentors Programme

The Rūnanga has launched a mentor programme designed to link Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa learners with appropriate and safe mentors, who can support our leaders to succeed in education, and develop pathways for education, training and employment. A lot of work has been done in the foundation of this programme to ensure good policy and procedures to ensure this programme is safe. The programme has got away to a slow start, limited largely to one of the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga mentoring other adult learners in postgraduate studies. It is anticipated that the mentorship programme will grow in alignment with Maripi Tuatini.

2015-2016

- Grow the mentorship programme both as a stand-alone programme, and in conjunction with Maripi Tuatini.

Relationships with Providers

Since being in their roles, the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga have engaged with a number of secondary schools and tertiary education providers. A formal MOU was signed with Lincoln University, and a MOU has been discussed with Rangitīkei College. The Rūnanga has also formed a relationship with Coastguard Boating Education and Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiarangi. The Iwi is interested in exploring relationships with all schools in the rohe, and with a range of tertiary providers and training providers. Being comparatively small to other Iwi, it will be easier for our team to learn about providers and options for our learners, and to liaise, inform and encourage our people on the best options available for training or tertiary study. These relationships with providers are essential, as is gaining a detailed understanding of what each provider offers.

2015-2016

- Continue to network and building relationships with school, tertiary providers and training organisations in order to be able to advise our people on their options.

Paepae Mātauranga

Linked to the Te Ranga Tupua forum described below, a forum of Iwi leaders has been convened, supported by Te Puna Mātauranga o Whanganui / Ngā Tai o te Awa. This forum is focusing on the success of Māori learners in schools across the Whanganui, southern Rangitīkei and southern Ruapehu districts. A key assumption in Iwi working together in this manner is that these Māori learners inevitably have multiple Iwi affiliations. However, the bottom lines around curriculum are that schools in a particular area need to incorporate Mātauranga from their local hapū and Iwi. However the focus of Paepae Mātauranga is broader than curriculum, looking also at relationships between whānau and schools, and the role that Iwi can play in this.

2015-2016

- Maintain participation in the Paepae Mātauranga forum.

Te Kakahu

This is a pilot Iwi programme that was resourced under the Government's Building on Success programme. It was developed and is being run by Te Puna Mātauranga o Whanganui / Ngā Tai o te Awa, and liaises closely with the Paepae Mātauranga as it goes about its business working with secondary schools to raise Māori achievement. Strategies being implemented include professional development for teachers, looking specifically at how they foster Māori achievement in their classrooms, and also looking at the relationship between whānau and schools, and Iwi and schools. Te Kakahu envisages an arrangement where Iwi are aligned with Whānau, and are playing a key role in pushing up the demand that is being expressed by whānau for the educational success of their tamariki and rangatahi. The Rūnanga is supportive of Te Kakahu working with Rangitīkei College, and the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga team are working closely with Te Kakahu.

2015-2016

- Continue to support Te Kakahu.

Te Aokura

The Rūnanga voted to sponsor the Te Aokura kapahaka group in line with Iwi aspirations to see a Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa kapahaka group performing at the highest level at Te Matatini. Last year was a development year for the group, as it moved towards regional competitions scheduled for 2016. It is certainly the hope of the Rūnanga that, with the two year sponsorship that has been committed, the Group will make a very strong showing at the regionals in 2016.

2015-2016

- Provide sponsorship and support recruitment into the Group, and watch them through to the Regional Competitions where we hope the Group will be successful and progress through to nationals.

Resource Development – Booklets

A number of booklets have been created by the team for use within some of our projects. These booklets include the following:

- i. **Pōpō mō Wharaurangi** – a brief explanation of the oriori for Wharaurangi, composed by Kereopa Te Rangitakoru
- ii. **He Rauemi Mokopuna** – A Te Reo resource for the home using simple language structures, kupu and everyday phrases for the beginners amongst us
- iii. **Te Haerenga a Haunui** - a brief explanation of the journey of Haunui-a-Nanaia as outlined within the oriori for Wharaurangi, composed by Kereopa Te Rangitakoru
- iv. **Ngā Mōteatea a Ngāti Apa** – a small handbook of waiata koroua from Ngāti Apa with brief explanations of the waiata
- v. **Ngā Kōrero e pā ana ki a Tutaeoporoporo** – A booklet retelling the story of our famous mokai Tutaeoporoporo, in English and Te Reo (Te Reo version is in development)
- vi. **The Origins of Ngāti Apa** – A booklet outlining one story of the origins of our iwi.

- vii. **Practitioners' handbook** – A collection of karakia for staff engaged in Toi Ora Whānau. It was created at the behest of one of our whānau so there could be a resource for staff and whānau who would like to use karakia in their work. There are explanations that go with each of the karakia supplied
- viii. **NEGs and NAGs** – A handbook that contains all the National Education Guidelines and National Administrative Guidelines for schools. Very useful for negotiations with Educational institutions.
- ix. **Wānanga Booklets** – Booklets were created for the Marae and Hapū wānanga series. Each Marae had their own booklet, i.e. Kauangaroa; Tini Waitara, Whangaehu and Parewānui. Each contained information that pertained specifically to themselves as well as generic information for the whole iwi;
- x. **Mentoring Booklet** – This booklet provides an outline of Maripi Tuatini and the Mentoring programme that supports this initiative.
- xi. **Mentoring Training Booklet** – This booklet contains information and training tips for mentors as they go about their work. It has ideas that are practical that can be utilised in their daily communications with their mentee as well as whānau.
- xii. **Whangaehu Awa Hikoi Booklet** – This booklet was created to allow participants to record and write about their experiences whilst on the awa hikoi. It had generic information contained within with areas for participants to record details as they journeyed through the various areas.
- xiii. **Maripi Tuatini Task Book** – This booklet contains tasks and objectives for the participants of Maripi Tuatini to work through as they take part in the project. It also provides them with a running record of the progress as well as a record of achievement as they go about their work.

2015-2016

- There resources will be maintained and potentially further developed and expanded upon by the Kai-iri-Mātauranga team, and options will be considered for digital and hardcopy publication as capacity and resources permit.

Kaupapa Pākahukahu

Economic Development Strategy

This year saw the completion of an assessment of the economic environment, and the completion of an economic strategy for Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa, completed by BERL, and funded by Te Puni Kōkiri. These documents highlighted the somewhat limited opportunities that currently exist within the Iwi rohe, for economic development. However, a number of opportunities, such as investing in the primary sector, in farms, forestry, manuka honey and other related opportunities are emphasised, which provides a foundation for the expansion of the Iwi's farm holdings such as the Te Hou investment and the Harakeke and Brandon Hall Road deforestation / land conversions. This strategy is now a foundation document for activities in the economic development space.

2015-2016

- Revisit this document periodically to guide economic decision making, noting that this is not limited only to commercial investment, but also to education and employment.

Regional Growth Study

As part of the Te Ranga Tupua initiative described below, the Group CEO was on the technical advisory group for the regional growth study, which was led by the Ministry for Business Innovation and Employment, supported by the Ministry for Primary Industries. This is a significant regional initiative, and productivity of Māori land was a strategic area that was explored in the development of this study. Concern exists around the separation of training and development for Māori from economic development, and a focus of the study is around drawing talented people into the region, rather than placing faith in the people already here and investing in ways to assist people to reach their potential. The outcomes from the study focus in areas of primary sector intensification, tourism, aged care, manuka honey and tourism and key opportunities in the region. There may be funds applied in each of these areas within the next two or three years, so it is sensible for the Iwi to remain involved to influence how these resources are being used to benefit our people.

2015-2016

- Remain involved in the Regional Growth Study.

Marion Logistics Hub Concept

In this year, Ngāti Apa Developments Limited spent time and resources, supported also by Te Puni Kōkiri, exploring the concept of a logistics hub in Marion. Whilst there was some initial interest by commercial partners, this did not lead to anything solid, and the idea has been placed on the shelf for now. NADL is still well positioned with the Rangitikei District Council to become involved again if any new logistics operators come into the district. Marion is well positioned on the main railway junction between the trunk line and Taranaki, and is located close to State Highway One which means that the location has some natural strengths.

2015-2016

- Put the feelers out again in early 2016 to see if there is any new interest from potential partners.

Te Hou Farms Limited Partnership

In May / June 2014, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa and Ngāti Apa Developments worked together to establish the Te Hou Farms Limited Partnership, bringing in Ātīhau Whanganui Incorporation and the Dalrymple Brothers (local farmers) into an exciting partnership.

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa organised an event designed to bring all of the parties together with Iwi members and Ātīhau-Whanganui shareholders to visit the farm and celebrate the new partnership. This event was well attended and a great day was held, culminating in a very successful hangī that was provided by the Te Aokura Kapahaka group.

The farm was badly affected this year by extremely low returns from Dairy, which led to a significant financial loss for the year. However, this was only the first year of operation, and this loss has not affected optimism that returns will improve. The development programme for the farm is continuing, with three irrigators having been installed to boost the dairy farm. There are plans for a further 10 irrigators to be installed on the dry stock farm which will boost cropping and dry stock production to drive stronger returns.

In preparing for future expansion, Te Hou has purchased two additional parcels of land adjoining the farm.

2015-2016

- Continue with the development programme with a further three or four irrigators to be installed.
- Continue to monitor the dairy sector with a view to building a second dairy farm on Te Hou.

Honey / Manuka

This area has been investigated as part of our land management strategies in terms of it being an emerging option for land use on some of our more marginal land holdings. With the return of the Paewhare (formerly Cvitanovich) block in 18 months it is seen as a real option for parts of this block. NADL remain to be convinced that a commercially viable proposal can be developed for plantation Manuka but we continue to remain open minded to the option moving forward. Bee keeping is also an option with bee keeping expertise having been identified in the Iwi, with the prospect of training Iwi members up in this industry also.

2015-2016

- Continue to collate relevant information toward a proposal for the Paewhare (formerly Cvitanovich) block.
- Investigate areas of potential plantations in the Paewhare (Cvitanovich) Block prior to completion of pine harvest.

Lismore Hill Forestry Right

This was a significant piece of work which involved totally restructuring the agreement that allows Rayonier / Matariki Forests to plant pine forests on Iwi land. This process was somewhat protracted as it involved our title transfer process from the Crown which was an added complication. However it is concluded, and this new form of agreement is a more flexible approach to the management of the land whilst Rayonier / Matariki have their trees on it, and eventual return of our land to Iwi management.

2015-2016

- Liaise with Ernslaw One Limited to identify whether they would like to transition to a new forestry right consistent with the agreement with Rayonier / Matariki.

Commercial Land Development

The key initiative in the last year has been achieving deforestation of 370 hectares of the Harakeke Forest and 220 hectares of Santoft known as the Brandon Hall Road block. This involved the purchase of 140 hectares of 8 – 9 year trees in Harakeke and the purchase and sale of the 220 hectares of 26 year old and other mixed age trees at Brandon Hall Road. The sale process for the Brandon Hall Trees had its difficulties in terms of timeliness of payments and then with a drop in the

log price half way through last year the purchaser slowed their logging operation which meant around 50 hectares was harvested in the 2015 calendar year. For all the trees that were harvested in 2014 emissions returns have been processed and accepted whereupon we utilised our affordable European units.

Other land management tasks have been carried out including fencing & drainage work at Harakeke as well as access discussions for Paewhare (Cvitanovich) Block. Initiatives have been discussed and some implemented around the salvage and re – use of slash timber on the block, post - harvest.

Options for the development of the land have been compiled and the decision will be made soon as to the pathway forward for converting the land to pastoral / arable use.

2015 - 2016

- Continue to progress matters related to Harakeke and Brandon Hall Road, as key opportunities for growth.

Commercial Property

Ngāti Apa Developments Limited continues to manage its investments in a syndication of the Trafalgar Square mall in Whanganui and a commercial property located at 220 – 246 Rangitikei Street in Palmerston North. These assets are currently providing much needed cash flow into the Group, whilst investments into farming are not currently generating a cash return. The Board notes that these commercial property holdings are all in what may be describe as provincial retail, and there is always risk associated with these kinds of assets. Ngāti Apa Developments Limited may look at restructuring its Commercial Property holdings in the future when the farm assets start generating cash returns and cash flow pressures are relaxed.

Fisheries Assets

Ngāti Apa Developments Limited moved quickly to enter into a longer term, profit share, arrangement with Sealords, under a lead contract held by Te Āti Awa Holdings Limited based in New Plymouth. This move was necessitated in response to the Ministry of Primary Industries dramatically increasing the total allowable catch for Hoki, which has traditionally been the biggest earner out of the fish stocks held by the Rūnanga. If NADL had of stayed in the open market, income from our quota would have been significantly decreased. However, rather than receive less this year, the profit share arrangement with Sealords generated a higher return compared to the previous year.

Also in fisheries, NADL is part of a large collective of Iwi considering investing in the new emerging surf clam fishery in New Zealand. Te Ohu Kaimoana is leading this work, and NADL is maintaining a watching brief. Whereas NADL took a leading role in this work initially, Te Ohu Kaimaoana have tried to expand the business model, the result being a very large and unwieldy business model that does not look very attractive to NADL.

Kaupapa Hapū

Hapū Distributions

The Rūnanga continues to distribute funds based on nett fisheries income to the four active groups. The Organisational Structure below shows the four recognised entities that receive the hapū distributions, and this is set out in the table below, including the name of the entity, and the hapū that it represents. Importantly, these entities were all established since Treaty Settlements by hapū, for hapū, and the Rūnanga exercises no control over these entities, demonstrating the commitment of the Rūnanga to encourage and foster hapū self-determination.

The Entity	Who this entity represents
Ngā Wairiki ki Uta Trust	Ngā hapū o Kauangaroa
Papawhenua Charitable Trust	Ngā hapū o Parewānui
Rakautaua 1C Reservation	Ngā hapū o Whangaehu
Turakina Hapū Charitable Trust	Ngā hapū o Turakina

Hapū Coordinators

The joint Iwi & Hapū initiative to put hapū coordinators in place at each of our four hapū collective bases has proven successful with identifiable benefits being extra activity at the Marae base, and extra capacity for Hapū to communicate and be responsive to opportunities and issues that arise.

2015-2016

- Continue with the Hapū Coordinator programme.

Pātaka Kai

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa has signed up to an initiative that has been led by Taranaki Iwi, to form a virtual pātaka kai in partnership with a commercial fishing company called Egmont Seafoods based in New Plymouth. Through this pātaka kai, the Rūnanga is able to access frozen fish for all Iwi tangi, and for large Iwi hui and celebrations. This is another way that the Rūnanga supports hapū to manaaki whānau on the Marae.

2015-2016

- Continue to participate in the Taranaki pātaka.

Whangaehu Awa Hikoi

Held in December 2014, this was the first event of its kind. The Whangaehu Awa hikoi traversed as much as possible the full extent of the Whangaehu Awa, starting from its source on Ruapehu, visiting the Wahianoa diversion and following it through the Moawhango lake, and then making its way down to Mangamahu, before jumping on waka and paddling right through to the River Mouth. A number of whānau took the opportunity to become familiar with our river and maunga, as well as gain accreditation for Basic Sea Survival from CoastGuard New Zealand through the “Kia Maanu, Kia Ora” Programme.

Initial numbers were capped at 40, and this group experienced the manaakitanga of Ngāti Rangī, with leaders including our whanaunga Keith Woods and Korty Wilson giving a lot of time to the kaupapa. This is set to become an annual event, and it is expected to grow. Although feedback through the plenary sessions was mixed at times, overall, all participants want to see this hikoi and the associated programmes continue.

A key enabler for this project was having the Kai-iri-Mātauranga team available to drive it. Mark Pirikahu in particular led this project through the completion.

2015-2016

- Holding the next hikoi in December 2015, with increased numbers capped at 100.
- Maintain the capacity within the Rūnanga to keep this project going.
- Encourage hapū engagement and participation from within all Iwi on the Whangaehu River.

Apa Rising

As many as 250 of our people converged on Parewānui school in March 2015 this year, to participate in the second ever Apa Rising whānau fun day. A brilliant day was enjoyed by all, though numbers were down due to tangi at Whangaehu and at Ratana. It was sad to see the Whangaehu tent virtually empty, and our thoughts were with our whānau who were mourning the loss of loved ones. Fun events included the Apa village, which was packed with activities for our tamariki, and our rangatahi competed on the fields in a range of challenges that were hugely entertaining. The Rūnanga teams from Marton and Bulls worked together with our Hapū Coordinators and volunteers to make this a fantastic day for our Iwi.

2015-2016

- Commence preparations for Apa Rising 2017, to be held at Kauangaroa.

175th Te Tiriti o Waitangi Commemorations

In February this year our Rōpū Taiao had recognised that this May was the 175th Anniversary of the signing of Te Tiriti o Waitangi at Tawhiriho. So it was devised that as an initiator for Rōpū Taiao plans around revegetation planting projects that this could be a high profile seminal event for such an initiative. So a monument was designed and built, an inscription was composed and cast, and a commemoration was arranged for the signing date on May 21st.

2015-2016:

- Care take of the site to ensure it is kept in good order
- Work with Horizons to look at further enhancements for the area as an area of historical significance to Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa.

Kaumātua Christmas Celebration

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa hosted a kaumātua Christmas lunch in December at Tini Waitara Marae and despite the rain, we had 94 kaumātua attend, many of these were clients of Te Kotuku Hauora who were delighted to express their thanks to kaimahi who had supported them over the past year.

2015-2016:

- The next celebration of our kaumātua will be run in conjunction with the Rūnanga AGM.

Iwi Chairs

In May, our iwi hosted the iwi chairs forum at Whangaehu Marae. This was a one off event which was well supported by the local hapū, neighbouring Iwi, and Rūnanga and Te Kotuku Hauora staff. Te Kōtuku Hauora made small rongoa gift packs for those in attendance and supported the hui throughout the three days.

Governance, Administration and Corporate Services

Manage Hapū lands

The key task here has been the implementation of the boundary adjustment for the papakāinga block at Koitiata. This matter is technically complicated and time consuming to coordinate. It should be completed early in the new financial year. Many lands are being managed by the hapū entities now that all of the entities are in place. Rents continue to be collected for Koitiata Lake & Marton Golf Club but will be handed over with all titles in the 2015 – 2016 financial year. Relationships with entities such as Department of Conservation are managed jointly with relevant hapū groups.

2015-2016:

- That ownership and management of all hapū lands be divested to hapū entities.
- TRONA need to agree relationships moving forward with Hapū entities particularly with regard to completing papakāinga clearing projects and DOC relationships & management planning with Scenic Reserves.

Financial Systems

This year saw the Rūnanga complete its transition to a web based financial system, still using MYOB. With the Groups growing demands and complexities, the single Finance Manager position that also processes all transactions for the group is stretched, and with a web based system we are able to call on our Accounting Firm, CareyHood, to assist by providing additional capacity as required. The financial reporting function has been fully outsourced to CareyHood also in order to ensure high quality reports, and to keep the Accountant engaged at the management level as a key advisor.

2015-2016

- Business as usual, thought will be applied to bringing reporting functions back in-house and increasing the capacity of the Rūnanga in 2017.

Information Technology

This year the Rūnanga engaged an external consulting group to develop an IT strategy for the Group. This exercise was very useful, and an assessment of the current network environment was also undertaken. The assumption is that the Rūnanga needs to have an up-to-date network to support a number of more strategic system developments to better support Taiao, Mātauranga and Pākahukahu.

2015-2016

- Implement the network upgrade.

Communications Strategy

This year the Rūnanga was able to secure the commitment of a highly skilled Iwi member named Kaapua Smith to advise the Group on communications. She has a senior communications role in a large energy company, and her practical advice is making a big difference to Rūnanga communications.

2015-2016

- Continue to retain Kaapua Smith as our communications advisor.

Ngā Kete Tū Ātea

Using demographic data and measuring outcomes for whānau are significant challenges confronting Iwi. There is little question that having good data will enable us to target resources effectively, and measure the impact of programmes and interventions over time. Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa partnered with Ngāti Hauiti and Mōkai Pātea Iwi (kotahitanga) to access Health Research Council funding to begin looking at data requirements, accessing existing data sets and methods for measuring success. This is an ongoing project which will inform future Rūnanga efforts to capture and utilise data to be make better informed decisions. As it stands, the Rūnanga is trying to maintain a balance between commercial development and efforts to develop our people, and measuring the people side of what

the Iwi is doing is at a basic stage, but will grow over time, informed by frameworks such as Ngā Kete Tū Ātea.

2015-2016

- Continue to participate in Ngā Kete Tū Ātea.

Annual Planning for 2015-2016

Having a new management team approach, and learning from experience over recent years has led to a superior annual plan that was developed late in the 2014-2015 financial year, for implementation in 2015-2016. The Rūnanga is very happy with the vastly improved approach to annual planning, supported by thorough quarterly reporting which focus on key performance indicators across all domains within the Group.

2015-2016

- Maintain the new annual planning template into the 2016-2017 period.

Hui Kaupapa

Linked to improved planning has been a growing sense of purpose throughout the group, reinforced by semi-regular Hui Kaupapa, which are days set aside for all managers and staff within the Group to come together, to revisit the vision and values of the group, and then to discuss kaupapa, practice waiata, learn about tikanga and do team building activities. Trustees and Hapū coordinators and leadership are all invited to attend these events too, as it is really a small group of people that cover all the bases for our Rūnanga and our Iwi and hapū, and it is important to foster kotahitanga, whanaungatanga and manaakitanga throughout the group.

2015 – 2016

- Maintain a programme of hui kaupapa throughout the year.

Waiata Sessions

Facilitated by the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga, these are sessions for the organisation to come together to learn Waiata that are relevant to Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa. There are generally one or two sessions per month, and the benefit of these sessions is beginning to be seen on occasions when the organisation attends events such as tangihanga. As well as fostering and promoting Te Reo me ngā Tikanga within the Group, this is also another valuable team building exercise.

2015 – 2016

- Maintain the programme of waiata sessions.

Cultural Capacity

During the past two years that the Kai-Iri-Mātauranga have been with the Rūnanga, the cultural capacity and practices of the Rūnanga have grown. Consequently, the visibility of the Iwi at our own tangihanga has increased, and there is greater numbers of speakers to support our paepae now. We

have had stronger tikanga processes at our events, examples including the Te Hou Farms launch, the unveiling of the kohatu to commemorate the Treaty Signing and the Iwi Chairs forum.

- Continue to maintain this cultural capacity and support the improved adherence to tikanga and other associated benefits.

Waipuke – Flooding

Across the Rūnanga Group there was an impressive response to the devastating flooding that hit the rohe in June. At a governance level, the Tumu Whakarae initiated discussions and led the decision to establish the Putea Aroha Fund for affected Whānau. This fund was administered out of Te Oranganui Iwi Health Provider, and was the first emergency fund available to whānau, dispensing \$500 to each whānau whose house was flooded, to provide immediate relief for food and clothing costs. The Iwi response grew to include a koha shed. Te Oranganui performed exceptionally well in supporting whānau, and working with non-Māori groups to ensure that our people were able to access the help that was there for them.

At the home base, staff from throughout the organisation got involved, with Mark Pirikahu appointed as the lead coordinator for Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa.

It is noted that several whānau and the Kauangaroa Marae are still recovering from the devastation that this flood brought. As part of the longer term solution, the Rūnanga supported joint efforts with Whanganui and Ngā Rauru to establish task force green teams to assist with the clean up, and a team has been active in Kauangaroa and Whangaehu.

A lot of lessons have been learnt since the 2004 floods in terms of flood protection and community response, and our Iwi has learnt some harsh lessons. But we have also provided some real leadership and made solid contributions to the initial response and the ongoing support required to recover from flood events.

Inter-Iwi Relationships

Te Ranga Tupua

The Rūnanga has been particularly supportive of a forum of Iwi Chairs, including Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa, Mōkai Pātea Iwi including Ngāti Hauti, Ngā Rauru, Ngāti Rangī and Whanganui. This forum has existed for the past two years, and Chairs have discussed a range of issues that are relevant to all Iwi. At this stage, this forum continues to be more of an information sharing forum, and an ideas forum, though the intent was always to move into planning and implementation on key issues where the collective influence of the Iwi involved can make a difference, such as having a greater say on local Government issues and lobbying central government. Whilst this forum has lacked focus and drive, it is expected that once all Iwi involved have been through their respective Treaty settlement processes, then this forum will become hugely influential and useful on a number of fronts.

2015-2016

- Continue to support the Te Ranga Tupua forum.

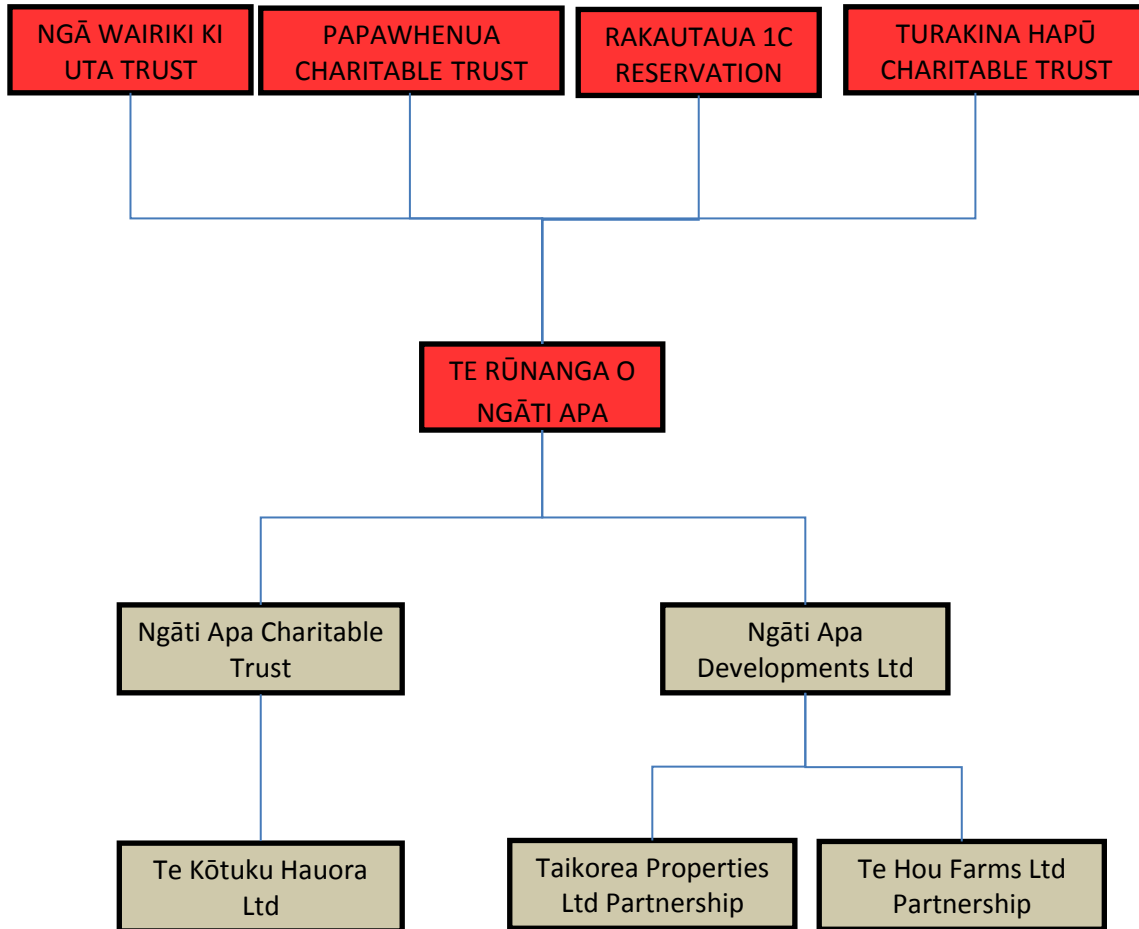
Iwi Chairs Forum

The Rūnanga is a very active supporter of the national Iwi Chairs Forum, which meets four times a year. The Rūnanga hosted the forum at Whangaehu in May. The reason for being involved in this forum is because Iwi Chairs is the most powerful lobby group in New Zealand, and is exercising a substantial amount of influence on Government policy. The Forum is also keeping a close eye on how the Government proceed with ownership rights to water, which is a high risk and potentially high reward area for tangata whenua. Other areas where the Iwi Chairs Forum is active includes whānau ora, Mātauranga, housing, environment and global warming. This remains a worthwhile activity.

2015-2016

- Continue to attend and support the Iwi Chairs Forum.

Organisational Structure



Appendix One – Full Te Kotuku Hauora Annual Report

Within Kaipapa Taiao, Te Kōtuku Hauora is an established and significant operating unit. It is the Iwi health and social service provider based in Marton providing support to whānau in the Rangitikei, including Whangaehu, Ratana, Kauangaroa and Rata. The small team works across a number of contracts including Whānau Ora, social work, mental health and addictions, Tamariki Ora and Te Pūnanga Haumarū. Te Kotuku Hauora is an expression of manaakitanga, kaitiakitanga and rangatiratanga, in terms of actively supporting people living within the Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa rohe.

When whānau access the services, assessments are conducted with all new referrals and staff work alongside the whānau to identify their needs and come up with strategies to support them appropriately. Information gathered from hospital discharges, referrals, GP and Specialists assist us to reflect on our service provision and whether our way of working is conducive to the needs of our whānau, hapū and Iwi.

Home Visits continue to be a large part of the service provision and has been largely due to rural isolation and lack of access to transport with whānau still requiring support from agencies.

Te Kotuku Hauora clients have always been involved in the development of their strength based plans. We are currently working on increasing staff knowledge around individualised care plans and moving away from generalised responses to situations. Whānau participate through the assessment process and are encouraged to identify key people they would like to be involved in their care plan development and staff work with key people to achieve the needs of the individual referred.

We have noticed an increase in whānau who are becoming increasingly more confident with their ability to make decisions for themselves and also to determine their own goals. We are seeing more whānau beginning to take control of their GP and specialist appointments however, due to other factors, some are still needing to be supported with these.

The ORA database is the system used to capture client data and maintain client records. We have done a lot of work in the past 6 months to make changes to this system to allow us to align data with reporting requirements for funders. Staff have provided recommendations to allow easier use of this system for their purposes and to be able to provide whānau with information in a clearer format.

Marae education sessions have been held monthly at Ratana, Kauangaroa, Rata and Marton, encouraging those with chronic long term conditions to participate and provide feedback on their needs around self-management and to assess whether we can provide support in more appropriate ways for these whānau. Service provision has been re-evaluated and topics are selected by those who attend. Staff have arranged guest speakers to present on a range of concerns including physical health matters, diabetes, nutrition & physical activity, cardiovascular, respiratory, falls prevention and extending to include matters of interest such as rongoa māori, arts n crafts, WINZ entitlements, creating wills, EPOA's, custody matters for kaumatua caring for mokopuna etc. Topics in the next year include visits to the undertakers as whānau are wanting to learn about funeral planning, community pharmacists, and how we can utilise our kaumatua to share knowledge around caring for our tamariki mokopuna.

We developed a quality improvements team that is made up of staff from each of our contract areas. This team meets regularly to review and/or develop policies and procedures that guide our

practice. In this period, 19 policies and procedures have been updated or created. The team works on a policy and then presents to the entire team for input and feedback. The policy is then presented to the governance board for ratification. Following this the policies are discussed in our staff meetings, and this process has been beneficial with ensuring staff are all aware and have good knowledge of expectations.

We were able to use capability investment resource funding and support from the Māori Provider Development Scheme to engage an external consultant to assist with finalising some work for us. We have worked alongside Dr. Melissa Cragg and have updated our Board governance manual, Workforce Development Plan, Quality Plan, Risk Plan and Risk Register. We are working on developing an appropriate outcomes measurement tool to monitor the effectiveness of our work, which aligns to the values of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa, and hope to be able to conduct benchmarking with a similar provider in the near future.

Melissa has also provided support with facilitating a consumer forum and used this time to get feedback from whānau in regards to how they thought Te Kotuku Hauora is doing and also give their input into things they would like to see in the future. There were 30 people who participated in this session. The Operations Manager has spent time with each of the marae monthly education sessions to talk with the attendees and get their input into service planning and look at what topics they want delivered in the future.

Service Management met with MSD contractors responsible for forming strategies to reduce the incidence of family violence among Pacific Island families and wanted to work with us due to the high numbers of Samoans in the Marton community. They planned to meet with the Rangitikei District Council and come up with a strategy on how we could support each other with our work moving forward. They hoped to develop a Pacific Island leadership group that can advise services such as ours on the best way to engage with their whānau. They also offered training to our staff around cultural awareness when working with Samoans, but nothing has come of this as yet. I expressed interest on staff training when working with Pacific Islanders in general as there is a range in our community.

We have had regular shared lunches with Jigsaw Whanganui team and this has been a positive step toward developing our relationships. Potential for support with referrals and possibility of them delivering programmes from our new office space in the future. They have also offered to train our staff to be parenting programme facilitators if this is something we could be interested in doing in the future, utilising a kaupapa Māori framework.

Leadership and Role-modelling – the priority to date has been around the true spirit of collaboration and the need to work with others for the benefit of the whānau. This has been displayed through work with MHOAG (Māori Health Outcomes Advisory Group), and the sharing of information between providers and the increased willingness to provide support to each other, and share information.

The relationship with the WRHN (Whanganui Regional Health Network) has improved in terms of staff understanding the benefits we can access for our service and whānau. Staff are facilitating Piki Te Ora programme (self-management of chronic conditions) in Marton and we will be approaching our whānau next year to consider being trainers of the programme with our support. They have also utilised our office in the weekend to run their parenting programme. Although we did not have any mothers in the group this time, it is a start to improving communication and networks in this area.

We held catch up clinics for smears, immunisations and flu vaccines with really positive attendance at all of these.

We have offered space in our new office for staff from Jigsaw and Te Oranganui to work from when they are in Marton and a family cancels the appointment as currently they work from their cars. This is helping staff to get to know each other and build relationships.

We have held quarterly hui kaupapa with Te Kotuku Hauora staff and Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Apa staff to ensure we all understand the strategic vision of the Rūnanga and how the work we do contributes to the overall picture, working together to improve outcomes for whānau, hapū and Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa, but also understanding our responsibilities to care for things in our communities. Moving forward, we will promote Rūnanga activities and projects to whānau within Te Kotuku Hauora to be able to participate also where appropriate.

We have maintained our fortnightly waiata sessions and more of this time is being used to discuss tikanga and is developing more interest from staff resulting in increased participation. These are valuable opportunities for staff to increase their knowledge of te ao Māori and Ngā Wairiki – Ngāti Apa to allow them to have confidence when speaking with whānau about where to direct them for support, particularly when they are identifying the need to reconnect and discover more about their whakapapa links.

We have been working with the Rangitikei District Council with the Marton community charter and looking at ways of providing services to the community overall that can meet the needs across the board. Priority focus was on youth but we have also identified other areas of concern to be addressed. This is an area represented by our Iwi chair with attendance by myself and our CEO due to the potential impacts this work could have on our service provision moving forward.

MHOAG Whakawhanaungatanga day – In December the four iwi Māori rural providers got together with all the staff and spent the day in Palmerston North. We visited Te Aroha Noa and participated in team building activities there, getting lots of new ideas on how to work with whānau utilising different approaches. Networks built, relationships developed and a really positive bonding atmosphere for all the staff. This will be particularly beneficial for kaimahi on the ground being able to access support from each other and now being able to put a face to a name. Ongoing activities will need to be maintained to encourage collaboration among our teams and reduce isolation.

Many staff participated in the TOIHA whakawhanaungatanga inter-organisation activity “Kei a wai ngā roro?” – We are excited to be able to host this activity this year.

Thanks to Te Oranganui Iwi Health Service, Ngā Tai o te awa, The Quit line, Whakapai Hauora, Māori Land Court, NZ Arthritis, The Stroke Foundation, Gonville Health Centre, Te Waipuna Medical Centre, Whanganui District Health Board auxiliary services and linen for support provided to our Ratana 25th January celebrations. Te Kotuku Hauora provided support at the medical centre with first aid to 23 people, 2 referred to emergency, 36 utilised mirmiri service and sunscreen was available and utilised by 500+. Blessings came in many forms including 2 morehu Doctors, 3 morehu nurses, 1 morehu paramedic and all the other volunteers who worked tirelessly in the clinic and in the background to ensure all support was provided and flowed.

In June we supported our Kaumātua to participate in the Kaumātua Olympics held at the Stadium and give thanks to Te Oranganui and Sport Wanganui for all the behind the scenes work that went in to making this day a huge success.

We are scheduled to move into our new premises at 16 High Street Marton in August and both staff and whānau are excited about being in a bigger space and having the opportunity to run our own programmes from our own building. Our local kaumātua rōpū have asked if they can use our office space to have their regular waiata practices and we are fortunate to have their support and guidance available.

We hosted Nathan Wallis at Whangaehu Marae, and his presentation was about how the effects of bullying can impact on brain development. Staff attended from most of the schools in the Rangitikei and we received positive feedback about how they could use this knowledge gained when working with their whānau and tamariki. We also had a number of clients attend who also expressed gratitude due to the inspiration they received and the practical skills they would be able to implement in their households.

Many of our staff participated in the Iron Māori held in Hawera and for most of us this was a first time event. We are now booked to participate in the Tri Māori at Lake Karapiro, with a total of 15 participants including whānau and partners. The winter has impacted on slightly on our training schedule, but we hope to be back out on the roads as the weather improves.

As an Iwi we have been working with CYFS Whanganui to create opportunities for whānau who are wanting to be carers. We held our first meeting for whānau to ask questions, and this will be followed up with a one day training session on the 5th September for those who are committed to taking the next step. Te Kotuku Hauora staff are able to provide information to any interested whānau, and application forms. From there, whānau work with CYFS directly to complete the application process. Our staff do not know any of the private information about whānau wanting to apply and participate in the iwi pool of carers.

In the past year we have been fortunate enough to gain a receptionist at Te Kotuku Hauora and Jasmine Kaa has settled in well into her role. We also gained another social worker working intensively with whānau and youth justice, and we welcome Laura Harris to our team. Our Te Pūnanga Haumarū contract was extended for a further 12 month period and Hawea Meihana continues his work with changes to how this will look in the coming year. Sadly, our Kaitoko whānau position expired and we farewelled Kiri Thompson after many years of dedicated service to our whānau, hapū, and Iwi. Kiri will begin her new role on Monday 20th July at the Whanganui DHB in the Māori Health Team and we wish her all the best in her new role.

Recently we had a presentation by the Healthy Families team from Te Oranganui and we are excited about the potential to work alongside them as prevention partners and develop strategies to improve systems and build on leadership in our community.

Our social worker Carmel Pompey and Tamariki Ora nurse Maree Veuger-Rurawhe worked alongside Te Wānanga o Aotearoa to promote education opportunities to our whānau. A group presentation was conducted, and following that many whānau had individual home visits to take the next step.

We have a high number of whānau in our service ranging in ages who are interested in learning basic Te Reo Māori and are wanting to have this facilitated as classes in a group setting with a teacher face to face. We are hoping to be able to provide this in the near future.

All staff have participated in a range of professional development opportunities over the past year and completed performance appraisals identifying individual development requirements and these in conjunction with our workforce development plan will guide our training in the next year.

It was very humbling for staff to provide support to whānau in response to the recent flooding in our district. We have received a number of compliments from whānau due to the ability of staff to be present and help out as needed to assist whānau to rebuild their lives. This work will continue for some time into the future as our whānau recover from the long-term impacts of this.

We have had a very busy year and participated in a range of activities, and this work will continue and increase as we strengthen our relationships with our community and our extended whānau in Whanganui, Ngā Rauru, Mokai Patea, and Ngāti Rangī.

TE KOTUKU HAUORA LTD STATISTICS

01 JULY 2014 – 31 JUNE 2015

How many new clients?	144
How many clients registered for Integrated Services?	38
How many clients registered for Social Services only?	80
How many clients registered for Whānau Ora Services only?	101
How many clients registered for Tamariki Ora Services only? (These are tamariki with whānau ora, not under the Tamariki Ora nurse)	31
How many clients registered for KMMH Services only? Not on ORA	11
TOTAL CLIENTS REGISTERED TKH LTD	261
How many clients discharged?	129
How many Rural monthly education sessions held (Ratana, Marton, Kauangaroa and Rata)	45
How many clients are Māori?	160
How many Clients are Ngā Wairiki/Ngāti Apa?	10/32
How many Clients are Ngāti Hauti?	14
How many clients are Morehu?	33