

NICF Rangatiratanga Hui 22 Feb 2024, Hosted by Te Arawa Iwi

Summary of feedback from session 1 – Tino Rangatiratanga Sphere

- What does it mean in 2024?
- What does it need to be maintained?

1. Coms

We need to re-educate and re-discover what Tino Rangatiratanga means now.

Ensuring the education of our rangatahi and having our own space as a priority

Communications Collective around the rangatahi and pakeke – how we communicate out with everyone, and how we resource this, and how we use the right language to make it understandable to te katoa.

NICF support the establishment of a coms collective (establishing a coms unit – articulating korero in a palatable way) – Coms for Whanau Hapu Iwi **ACTION to make this a resolution at Tauranga NICF**

Principle of Action – Communications maintaining, controlling the narrative and directing the korero/media.

Principle of action we will collaborate across iwi communication channels, utilising the skills, capability and resources to come up with a plan on how we can use this more effectively **Ngāti Toa to lead launch of Comms Collective.**

2. Rangatahi

Being intentional with the inclusion of Rangatahi (and removing barriers to their inclusion)

Vital to capture the whakaaro of Rangatahi through always involving them.

Rangatahi – Is Mana Motuhake & Rangatiratanga just doing the opposite of what the Crown wants?

Participation requires pakeke acceptance and succession.

Principle of action: We need to be intentional to ensure Rangatahi are participating in the korero and process

Action: iwi will ensure that they have a plan in place to ensure Rangatahi participation.

3. Tikanga and Inclusiveness as a design principle

Ensuring Tikanga and inclusiveness as a design principle from whanau, hapu, iwi

Unlocking our spaces, Te Reo and Matauranga informed from the local level hapu and whanau.

We need to be clear and ensure a shared understanding our tikanga and values.

Undertaking community check in to ensure mana motuhake at a local level to ensure we know what is important to us

Local issues – we don't need others to tell us what to do – the mana of whānau/hapū is for us alone to determine – we must go back to our people to hear what is important from the W/H space so iwi are clear – principles will be agreed, but this is a rolling Kaupapa. Tikanga frame is supported across the motu.

What is an iwi lifestyle – it is not what it is but what it could be. **What do we want and what do we want to keep, change, chuck?**

How do we unify if we're not all on equal footing?

Principle of Action – Establishing our Tikanga world view as the base.

Principle of Action - Ensuring Inclusiveness as a foundational principle

Action: Every Whanau Hapu Iwi will take the tono home to have the korero to achieve inclusiveness and shared understanding and approaches

4. Vehicle and framework for delivery

Continue to clarify the vehicle and framework for delivery of our Kotahitanga vision.

How to pull together Kotahitanga, how to maintain the momentum, how to get these whakaaro back to those that supported the hui a motu?

Role of NICF? Strong signal from floor that NICF has not been successful in demonstrating or implementing Kotahitanga. Time for new something.

Ongoing whare / hui taumata at a national level – representation at all levels – talking direct to the English Crown mana ki mana – opportunity to wananga / advocate / decide at a national level.

Collectivising actions –What are these? All Māori stopping paying taxes to the kāwanatanga and instead pay it to the Rangatiratanga.

The voice of Whanau and Hapu is vital.

Stop giving life to the government.

Looking at international partners (i.e. what is Canada doing).

Te Matatini as a vehicle for Kotahitanga – the framework is already there.

Frame – at home he toa Rangatira, whatever institution goes forward, all our whakapapa and linkages need to be built into this.

Ensuring a Rural and Urban strategy – both have different needs

Unionisation and membership models could be explored

Principle of Action - A well-timed hui taumata that is based on Whanau Hapu Iwi whakaaro to pull this all together.

5. Keeping the momentum and energy

Prevention plan to keep the momentum and energy going – we need to anticipate momentum loss.

What is Kotahitanga and how do we maintain the korero for hapu and whanau.

We need to be better at sharing.

Kotahitanga cannot be periodic – crisis driven

Summary of Tackling Poverty

Explore ways in which current Legislation can be used against Crown

Collaboration is required – cross iwi/rohe

Vertical integration and circular economy models to build wealth within our own iwi/businesses/eco-systems

Climate change and managed retreat could be opportunities to leverage the DSP model but also need to be factored in to risks

Food sovereignty is critical – sharing resources with each other, “feeding” our own supermarkets through our own kai businesses

Rate payers, those iwi with large land blocks, exploring ways to leverage with councils

Exploring ways to pool capital and have share-holdings in banks or creating our own

Using the DSP model to return Crown owned land to iwi to then be leased back

Summary of Wrap Up Discussions and Go Forward

Proposals we agree in principle on

Kotahitanga and the unification of our people which will allow us to act on the two additional proposed issues raised by Helmut – Poverty and Constitutional Convention – plus anything else we want to do.

Our agreed way forward from here

1. **Return to our whānau / hapū / iwi** to discuss these issues to build a shared understanding, belief, and determination to unite and move forward together!
2. **Shared Comms** including calendar of events where further wānanga and discussions on these and related matters are being held.
3. **Hui Taumata** – to be held at the end of May, hosted by Ngāti Kahungunu (to follow the scheduled 1 May NICF hui) to make concrete decisions for actioning our kotahitanga. Panui to follow.