

Hoani Waititi Marae

Te Piringatahi o Te Maungarongo Marae

Kakariki Marae

Te Ropu Rangatahi o Waitakere

Te Atatu

Waitakere City Council

Contacting Te Taumata Runanga

Please direct all correspondence for Te Taumata Runanga members to:
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Maori Issues Team

The Maori Issues Team provide support to Te Taumata Runanga and to kaupapa Maori within Council. Feel free to contact us to ask more about Te Taumata Runanga, or about anything else concerning Council's relationship with the Maori community.

Role of the Manager Maori Issues:

To ensure the interests of the Maori Community are represented within Council by:

Developing and enhancing relationships between Council and the Maori community

Ensuring the work programmes of various Council sections reflect the interests of the Maori community

Providing cultural and Treaty training and development to Council staff

Advising the Mayor, Council and Senior Management on matters of protocol and Tikanga Maori

Supporting the work of Te Taumata Runanga

Role of the Senior Analyst - Maori Policy:

To provide Maori Policy advice which is integrated into Council's strategic framework

To deliver innovative future thinking and policy development

To ensure the participation of key organisations, community groups and the general public in strategic policy processes

Role of the Maori Issues Resolution Officer:

To ensure issues raised by the Maori community are directed to the appropriate part of Council and progressed through to conclusion

To act as an entry point for those members of the Maori community who are unsure of Council procedures

Role of Te Taumata Runanga Committee

Administrator:

To provide support to Te Taumata Runanga and to the Maori Issues Team in progressing and representing the interests of the Maori community within Council

**Te Taumata
Runanga**

*He mangai mo te iwi Maori i
roto i te Taiao o Waitakere*

*Giving a voice to the Maori
Community of Waitakere City
within Local Government*


Waitakere City Council
Te Taiao o Waitakere

Te Mihi o Te Heamana

*E nga mana, e nga reo, e nga hau e wha,
He kura tangihia, He mamae aroha ki a ratou ma,*

No Reira e nga mate o te wa, haere atu koutou.

Ratou ki a ratou, Tatou e nga morehu o tenei ao matemate ki a tatou.

Tena Koe. The aim of this booklet is to provide an understanding of the role of Te Taumata Runanga. Te Taumata Runanga is a unique model of a relationship between Maori and Local Government, and is the primary voice of Maori issues to Waitakere City Council. Therefore, it is important that the community know when and how to approach this committee.

The Maori community and Waitakere City Council established Te Taumata Runanga jointly in 1991. In 1993 Te Taumata Runanga became a standing committee of Council. It has 12 members, drawn from key Maori groups within Waitakere City, including local iwi, Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua. Its purpose is to:

- Provide for regular communication between the Maori community and Council
- Ensure that Council is aware of and sensitive to issues of concern to Maori community
- Ensure that Maori values are upheld in Council's decision making

Te Taumata Runanga does this by:

- Facilitating input into the decisions of Council which have significance to Maori
- Advising Council and its Committees on projects and policy issues relating to Maori
- Contributing to policy development
- Contributing to the Annual Budget process, whereby Council prioritises the distribution of funds for the year

Te Taumata Runanga has input throughout many areas of Council. We also recognise the particular responsibilities of Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua in relation to the Resource Management Act. Te Taumata Runanga is a vehicle whereby the voice of Maori in Waitakere City can be expressed, within an environment of Tikanga Maori and Whanaungatanga. Te Taumata Runanga welcome and encourage participation by the Maori Community, so please feel free to contact us.

Noho Ora Mai

Chairperson Te Taumata Runanga

Approaching Te Taumata Runanga

Te Taumata Runanga meet once a month to consider issues impacting the Maori community, raised either by members, Council officers, or the public. Here are the steps you can take if you have an issue you would like to bring before Te Taumata Runanga.

1 t u a t a h i

Discuss your issue with a member of the Maori Issues Team or Te Taumata Runanga

Before presenting your issue directly to Te Taumata Runanga, it is a good idea to discuss it with either a member of the Maori Issues Team at Council (see back page), or a member of Te Taumata Runanga. It may be possible for your issue to be addressed without taking it before Te Taumata Runanga.

2 t u a r u a

Present your issues to Te Taumata Runanga

You can request to make a brief formal presentation (10 minutes maximum) to Te Taumata Runanga at their regular monthly meetings. To make this request, or for more information about meeting format and times, please contact the administrator for Te Taumata Runanga. The administrator will confirm the approval of your request with the Chairperson of Te Taumata Runanga.

3 t u a t o r u

Report written by Council officers, and recommendations made to Te Taumata Runanga

No immediate decisions may be made by Te Taumata Runanga on matters raised by the community. However, the committee may request a written report from the Chief Executive. This report will clearly outline all of the issues that must be taken into consideration. It will include recommendations to Te Taumata Runanga and is presented at a later meeting.

4 t u a w h a

Recommendations for appropriate actions made by Te Taumata Runanga

Any recommendations made to Te Taumata Runanga will seek to bring resolution to the issues put forward, while being consistent with existing Council policies and procedures. Te Taumata Runanga will then make recommendations to Council for their consideration.

Members of Te Taumata Runanga

There are twelve member organisations of Te Taumata Runanga, including Waitakere City Council. The organisations include local iwi, marae and community groups. Please feel free to contact any of the members to discuss any issues you might have.

Te Kawerau a Maki Trust

Te Runanga o Ngati Whatua

Te Ropu Wahine Maori Toko I Te Ora

Te Whanau o Waipareira Trust

Te Ropu Kaumatua o Waipareira

Henderson Maori Committee