



HUI Ā ROHE REPORT

Ngai Tahu Hui ā Rohe

Abstract

A Karanga Aotearoa meeting record of the hui held at Te Waipounamu House,
Ōtautahi Christchurch, on 14 April 2010 – 12.30 pm to 2.30 pm

Programme

11.45am **Mihi Whakatau**

David O’Connell provided a mihi whakatau to Te Herekieke Herewini who responded accordingly. The mihi whakatau was followed by lunch.

1.00pm **Hui a rohe Presentation**

Te Herekieke provided a presentation to the Ngāi Tahu rūnanga representatives.

The presentation included:

- a) an update about the programme;
- b) what has been achieved by the programme both internationally and domestically since its establishment in 2003;
- c) discussion of unprovenanced kōiwi tangata; and
- d) final resting place for unprovenanced kōiwi tangata, which included principles of selecting a suitable resting place, and also the two options being taken around the country (i) a putunga kotahi and (ii) Te Rerenga Wairua.

Summary of the views expressed by the group

Ngāi Tahu had their own Te Rerenga Wairua in the past.

It is important to note there are unprovenanced kōiwi tangata in South Island Museums, however, this is matter that will be considered by these Museums and the respective iwi and hapu in due course.

Support for the principles of selecting a final resting place, however, the cost of providing a national wahi tapu should be met by the crown.

Do the kōiwi tangata need to be buried immediately, as science and technology in the near future may help in provenancing kōiwi tangata.

General support for the Ngāti Kuri tono, and for unprovenanced kōiwi tangata going to Te Rerenga Wairua as a final resting place.

The work of the Te Papa’s repatriation programme was appreciated.

2.30pm **Conclusion of presentation and discussion**

Mihi mutunga and karakia by David O’Connell.

Attendees

Name	Organisation / Papatipu
David O'Connell	Taumutu
Te Whe Phillips	Rapaki
Peter Clayton	Administrator for Onuku, whanau member of Kaikoura.
Marea Clayton (Unahi)	Kaikoura Runanga
Maatakiwi Wakefield	administrator for Koukourarata, whanau member of Wairewa
Puamiria Parata-Goodall	Taumutu
Arapata Reuben	Tuahiwi
Vicki Ratana	Ngāti Waewae
Te Herekieke Herewini	Manager Repatriation Te Papa