

From the CEO

Council's inaugural meeting will take place next week at the War Memorial Hall and will begin with a mihi whakatau for the new Council and then elected officials taking their oaths of office. Following their declarations it will be straight down to business with the selection of the Deputy Mayor, the confirmation of Standing Orders, confirmation of the Terms of References for Council and Committees as well as approving our Annual Report.

There will be a series of hui throughout the district to discuss the selection process for the Māori Standing Committee which should be in



Fergus Power - CEO

place by late November or early December. I have certainly been impressed by the work of the MSC over the last few years in representing our district and our people.

We are all excited by the positivity and energy that our community has shown over the last few years in working together to get things done. I want to reaffirm, on behalf of all staff here at Council that we will work hard for our district and our people.

Hui-a-Takiwā for Māori Standing Committee representatives

Good interest in the selection of WDC Māori Standing Committee representatives has led to good discussions as the process gets underway with more hui being scheduled at marae throughout the district.

Wairoa District Council staff are working their way around the district holding hui to inform the district's marae of the proposed candidate selection process.

The aim is to enable tangata whenua to select their own representation on the committee, which is a standing committee of Council.

WDC Māori Relationships Manager David Tipoki said two out of eight planned hui had already taken place involving

the Ruakituri and Pāhauwera takiwā (areas) – all of which generated positive discussion about the process.

"We had some good dialogue at the meeting, which I believe will lead to some capable candidates for the standing committee," he said.

Each of the eight takiwā, made up of marae from each area, would be responsible for selecting a candidate, who would be confirmed at a hui-ā-iwi involving marae in late November.

A ninth member from the 'open floor' would be selected at this meeting to complete the committee.

The following is a schedule for the remaining hui-ā-takiwā:

TAKIWĀ	MARAE	VENUE	DATE/TIME
Waikaremoana	Waimako, Kūha, Putere	Waimako Marae	Friday, 28 October 10.00 am
Mātangirau	Taihoa, Te Rauhina, Iwitea, Whakakī, Whaakirangi	Te Rauhina Marae	Saturday, 29 October 2.00 pm
Māhia mai Tawhiti	Te Rakato, Kaiuku, Ruawharo, Māhanga, Tuahuru, Hinewhata	Te Rakato Marae	Sunday, 30 October 10.00 am
Rakaipaaka	Kahungunu, Te Kotahitanga, Tamakahu, Tanenuiārangi, Te Poho o Te Rehu, Manutai	Kahungunu Marae	Friday, 4 November 6.30 pm
Hōpūpū	Rangiāhua, Arimāwha, Putahi, Pakowhai, Te Mira (Whetu Marama), Aranui	Putahi Marae	Saturday, 12 November 10.00 am
Hōnengenenge	Tawhiti-a-Maru, Takitimu, Ruataniwha, Hinemihi, Huramua	Takitimu Marae	Saturday, 12 November 3.00 pm

FOR YOUR DIARY

COUNCIL MEETINGS

25 October: 10am
22 November: 10am

COUNCIL FORUM

8 November: 2pm

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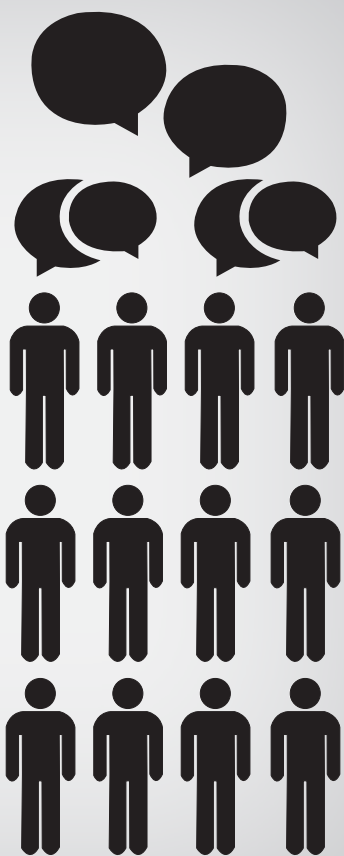
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Wairoa District Council Draft Māori Policy

Closes **7 November 2016**, any questions to Wairoa District Council Māori Relationships Manager, David Tipoki.

Search 'consultation' on www.wairoadc.govt.nz or come into the office to pick up a copy.



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