

# Hon Paul Goldsmith

Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage  
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Anaru Kira  
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Whangaroa Papa Hapū

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Tēnā koe Anaru

## Confirmation of Whangaroa Papa Hapū as a hapū grouping

Thank you for the hapū grouping proposal from Whangaroa Papa Hapū. I acknowledge the work that has been undertaken to get to this point.

I am pleased to confirm Whangaroa Papa Hapū (encompassing Kaitore, Ngā Uri o Te Pona, Ngāi Tu Pango, Ngāti Haiti, Ngāti Kahuiti, Ngāti Kawau, Ngāti Kawhiti, Ngāti Kohu, Ngāti Kura, Ngāti Miro, Ngāti Mokokohi, Ngāti Pakahi, Ngāti Ruamahue, Ngāti Uru, Te Aeto, Te Uri Kaiwhare, Te Uri o Te Aho, Ngāti Pou, Ngāti Tū, Ngāti Miru, Ngāti Torehina, Ngāti Īmiru, Ngāti Rangimatakakā, Ngāti Teketanumia, Te Uri Putete, Te Tahawai, Te Whanau Pani, Whanau Pani and Kai Tangata) as a hapū grouping for the purposes of seeking a mandate to negotiate a comprehensive settlement of the historical Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi claims of Whangaroa hapū. The Crown is committed to working with Whangaroa Papa Hapū to develop a mandate strategy.

I am advised you have signalled a willingness for other hapū to join your grouping. I encourage you to keep the door open for those hapū who wish to join you, and the Crown will expect the claimant definition in your mandate strategy to be sufficiently inclusive. I also expect that you will continue to discuss any shared hapū with neighbouring groupings as part of the development and implementation of a mandate strategy.

I have approved a total of \$200,000 to assist Whangaroa Papa Hapū to submit a final deed of mandate. The first \$50,000 will be released to you immediately. A further three tranches of \$50,000 will be available as milestones in the mandate process are reached and upon proof of expenditure showing prior funding was used appropriately. A table outlining the funding milestones is attached for your reference.

I wish to acknowledge the constructive way you have engaged with my officials to reach this point and I look forward to hearing about your progress over the coming months.

If you have any questions, please contact Keawe Woodmore, Negotiation and Settlement Manager on 027 471 1813 or [Keawe.Woodmore@tearawhiti.govt.nz](mailto:Keawe.Woodmore@tearawhiti.govt.nz).

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul Goldsmith', written in a cursive style.

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