

Minutes of Meeting

- Meeting:** Consultation with Aotea harbour iwi about Morrison Forest harvesting and Historic Places authority.
- Venue:** Okapu marae, Aotea harbour
- Date:** 9 Sept 2015
- Time:** 0900 hours
- Attendees:** Nick Tuwhangai (facilitator), Tom Herbert (Ngati Patupo) Pita Te Ngaru (Ngati Patupo), Polly Werata (Ngati Patupo), Chris Tuapiki (Ngati Patupo), Harry Midwood (Ngati Ngahia), Dawn Taylor, (Ngati Te Wehi), Raymond Mahara (Ngati Te Wehi), Nancy Awhitu (Ngati Te Wehi), John Mahara (Ngati Te Wehi)
HFM NZ Staff: Sally Strang (Environmental Manager), Hugh Ford (Land Manager), Robin Black (Environmental Planner).

Apologies: Hano Ormsby

Business

1. **Welcome and introductions.** HFM staff were welcomed into the wharenuī by John Mahara and Nick Tuwhangai replied on behalf of HFM

2. Business

Forest background.

Hugh gave a summary about the background to the establishment of the forest between the Morrison family and NZFP. The expected time frame in which harvesting and engineering would take place was discussed; it is likely to be at least 3 years away and involve one mechanized harvesting crew that would work in the forest avoiding holiday seasons and winter.

It was noted it is a one rotation forest lease planted over a short number of years.

Legal requirements

Sally explained about the various rules that Waikato Regional Council and Otorohanga District council had in their respective plans. Earthworks and harvesting are permitted activities in the WRC land plan but Otorohanga DC requires discretionary consent for earthworks in the coastal zone and within 100m of identified archaeological sites. Additional to this is the need for an Historic Places Authority from Heritage NZ.

Both these processes require HFM to consult with iwi and landowners and document this process.

Chris stated that the establishment of the forest had not involved any consultation with iwi. Nick stated that was the past and the hui today was to look to the future and achieve the best result for all parties.

Because of the interest in the forest, its location and iwi significance HFM was starting consultation 3 years in advance of actual operations. This will allow appropriate iwi to be involved with the planning activity.

Historic Sites

Robin used an A1 size photo map to show the locations of all of the identified historic sites are located in the forest. He explained that the area was originally mapped by the NZFS in 1978 by John Coster. Based on past surveys there are 23 recorded historic sites within the land title but 3 are in the exposed sand reserve areas. There are 3 pa sites, a rua/cave and the remaining 18 are midden sites.

Two pa sites are planted with pine and potentially offer the greatest challenge to log because of the magnitude of the sites - one site is 300m long and 100m wide.

Raymond asked about whether a blessing would be carried out before anything started. Robin explained that an induction would be carried out with all engineering and harvesting crews and blessings would be carried out in accordance with the wishes of iwi. John suggested that this would be organized for the marae.

Robin noted that the sites on the maps are based on the work of the archaeologist and there may be additional sites that the iwi know about.

Robin noted that no urupa are shown in the historic records but several people said there were urupa within the block.

Robin explained that the next step is to walk the whole forest with the archaeologist taping features and assessing them for the ability to fell and extract trees without damaging the site. Marae reps would be welcome to assist. Robin noted John Coster would be available in November-December but it was felt it would be better to carry out the fieldwork in February.

John Mahara offered the use of local quad bikes to assist getting round the block and the marae for accommodation. HFM gratefully accepted this offer of assistance.

Robin provided copies of the large map and sites record forms to some of the people present and would generate more copies for those who required them.

The meeting closed at 12:30 with Nick giving a summary. This was followed by lunch.

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Minutes of Meeting

- Meeting:** Consultation with Aotea harbour iwi about Morrison Forest harvesting and Historic Places authority.
- Venue:** Community Whare Hamilton
- Date:** 20 Oct 2016
- Time:** 1200 hours
- Attendees:** John Mahara (facilitator), Tom Herbert (Ngati Patupo), Pita Te Ngaru (Ngati Patupo), Harry-maki Midwood (Ngati Ngahia), , Raymond Mahara (Ngati Te Wehi), Liz Mahara, Petunia Mahara, Ken Moke, Taki Apiti, Karoraina Apiti, Nancy Awhitu (Ngati Te Wehi), Terewai Awhitu, Chris Taylor, Robyn McIvor, Zac McIvor, Nan and David Morrison, and Peter Hodges.
HFM NZ Staff: Sally Strang (Environmental Manager), Hugh Ford (Land Manager), Robin Black (Environmental Planner).

Apologies: Business

1. **Welcome and introductions.** HFM staff were welcomed into the whare by John Mahara.

2. Business

HFM staff described the upcoming harvest in the block. It was explained that a resource consent will be required for harvesting around archaeological sites in the block, along with a Heritage NZ Authority. Both will require input from tangata whenua.

The need for a maori values assessment was discussed.

Historic Sites

Robin used the A1 size photo map to show where all the identified historic sites are located in the forest. He explained that the area was originally mapped by the NZFS in 1978 by John Coster. There are 23 historic sites within the land title but 3 are in the exposed sand reserve areas. There are 3 pa sites, a rua/cave and the renaming 18 are midden sites.

Raymond asked about whether a blessing would be carried out before anything started. Robin confirmed that a blessing is generally arranged before commencing work in a forest, particularly in a situation like this with important cultural sites. John suggested that this would be organized for the marae.

Robin also explained that an induction would be carried out with all engineering and harvesting crews before starting work in the forest and in the vicinity of known cultural features.

Robin noted that although the location of the sites is as accurate as the archaeologist and District council can determine, there may be variations that the iwi know about.

Robin explained that completion of site marking is due to be completed in Dec 2016 or January. Agreed Robin will contact John Mahara when he plans to carry out field work to allow for other iwi to be involved.

The meeting closed at 1330 followed by a cup of tea.

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Morrison's Forest Aotea – meeting with iwi and Heritage NZ representatives

Meeting Minutes

Date	1/11/2019
Location	Greenspace, Hamilton
Attendees	Ngaati Te Wehi, Ngaati Patupoo, Hancock Forest Management, Heritage NZ: Phillip Mahara, Diane Bradshaw, Boss Mahara, Makere Rika-Heke, Zac McIvor, Marian Ruru, Eleanor Sturrock, John Hettig, Sally Strang, Brent Donaldson, Hugh Ford, Sarah-Jane Luoni, Kevin and Lorraine Wrenn (refer attached).
Apologies	

Mihi mihi - Ngaati Te Wehi – Boss Mahara
The meeting started with a karakia and introductions.

Concerns raised regarding some of the people in attendance who were not representing the invited parties. After some discussion Kevin and Lorraine Wrenn left the meeting.

Zac McIvor talked about the proposed wahi tapu registration of Hawaiki iti. The reason for this was to provide protection for the area beyond just the recorded sites. Diane mentioned the protection might be broader than just wahi tapu - potentially a world heritage site.

Concerns was raised about the stability of the area post-harvest. Diane suggested HFM access the Q-map series mapping for the area as a useful source of info. Diane queried about cultural monitoring during harvesting and Sally confirmed that that would be appropriate.

Concerns raised regarding the stability of Morrison's road over the causeway - ensuring the ongoing water flow to and from the area is culturally important. Phillip suggested HFM investigate access over the top from Kawhia forest.

Eleanor noted John Coster's recommendation in his report (rec 6) that a thorough archaeological survey be undertaken of the forest before commencing, which she would support.

A query was raised regarding which archaeologist will be used during harvesting. Sally confirmed that Lynda Walter is currently undertaking archaeological work for HFM in other forests and has confirmed she would be available for Morrison's Forest, however HFM is open to input from Iwi. Lynda's nomination was supported by Heritage NZ.

HFM talked about the Heritage NZ authority and that a harvest plan would be required for all sites. Sally noted that in the documented procedure in the Authority generally specifies the

overall process to be followed. Harvesting of the individual sites will need site specific harvest plans developed with input from the archaeologist, iwi reps, Hancock staff and the contractor.

The need for a cultural values assessment was discussed. This will be worked through with further discussion. HFM noted a cultural values assessment was completed a few years ago by Harry Midwood for a potential purchaser of the forest (Jimmy Singh) and has been offered to HFM. The group confirmed this was not supported as representing their view and may not be fully relevant for Hancock harvesting. The Cultural Impact Assessment (CIA) to be discussed further at the next meeting.

Diane mentioned she has approached David Morrison in the past regarding the possible return of Hawaiki-iti but that it is quite a large area - 100ha. Also mentioned of possible sale of the land by the Morrisons after harvest and aspirations of iwi to purchase it.

Concerns were raised about the impacts of the harvesting on residents of Aotea, and the potential for reactivation of dune erosion.

Consensus that harvesting needs to be completed and that we will all work together to ensure it is done in the best and safest way.

Next steps:

- Ngati Te Wehi/Ngati Patupo will arrange a hui to agree the path forward. D HFM will await communication as to next steps and any required input to hui. Discussed and agreed that TPL would pay koha for the food etc but not people's time.
- HFM to share historic site info for the block with Heritage NZ (Eleanor and Makere).

Poroporoaki - Ngaati Te Wehi – Boss Mahara

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**Morrison's Forest
Ngati Patupo Hui
Mokai Kainga Marae
Saturday 7 November 2020**

Attendees and contact details where provided (note not a complete list of attendees as no attendance record was filled out):

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HFM:

- Brent Donaldson
- Sally Strang
- Sarah-Jane Luoni

Issues discussed

General introductions.

HFM NZ provided an overview of the upcoming harvest, the consents and Authorities required. Noted that harvest commencement is reliant on obtaining the necessary consents. At present HFM NZ is aiming to start harvest late summer.

Concern was raised around:

- The number of trucks per day and for how long they would be operating.
- The health of Aotea Harbour, noting that pipi were only just coming back.
- The council road and the two causeways/wetland crossings were of particular concern. This is because of how they were built, the way they've changed the stream flow into the harbour and because of the vibrations that trucks will cause which in turn will disturb the wahi tapu sites, specifically around Hawaiki-iti.
- Impact on marae from trucking.
- Impact on sites within the forest. We were reminded that the forest sites are physical and spiritual and that there is a high likelihood that ko iwi will be disturbed in the forest even if HFM stick to existing tracks.

HFM talked about having a field trip pre harvest and agreed that we'd do this with Ngati Patupo and Ngati Te wehi together.

Alternative trucking routes were raised again but dismissed as infeasible because of the amount of private land involved.

HFM discussed the archaeological authority process and historic site discovery protocol and how both would work. We gave assurance that any finds are absolutely managed by iwi and that Kaumatua will be paid for their time and mahi.

Sarah-Jane confirmed that Lynda Walters is planning to undertake surveys in the forest during the week of 30 November to 4 December.

Agreed that Zac would be the main contact for the archaeological assessment process. Zac knows Lynda Walters and will liaise with her to pass on information. The iwi would like to meet Lynda at some stage to understand her processes – noted that there is a hui taking place on the 6th December with regard to the registration process.

Pat suggested potentially arranging for iwi to meet with Lynda and Mitch in the forest during that week so they can be part of that discussion.

Chris raised that he wants to see something more concrete from HFMNZ in terms of exactly what we plan to do and what protocols will be followed (in Powerpoint).

It was agreed HFM would provide a strawman protocol to be followed, including for accidental discovery. Ngati Patupo would provide input to that. It was noted that any key protocols can be included as conditions of the Heritage NZ Authority.

As part of the process it was requested that there be regular reporting back to Ngati Patupo as to what has happened in the forest and what is planned to happen. A 6 monthly timeframe was suggested. Agreed this could be undertaken with Ngati Te Wehi if they are agreeable.

Ngati Patupo representatives described the history of settlement and development of the land at Aotea. There were concerns raised about how the Morrison block historically came to be in freehold title and the construction and location of the road to Aotea which reportedly cut through wahi tapu areas – one of their relatives reportedly stood in front of the machines to try to stop the work. Also concerns that the Road to Aotea settlement opened the harbour up for its resources to be exploited. There is concern that fair process hasn't been followed in Aotea before and that history will repeat itself.

Doreen raised concerns about an area of forest near an inlet that the Morrisons had planned further housing developments on – which the iwi had successfully opposed. Agreed afterward that Sally would follow up with Doreen and send a map.

Next Steps for HFM NZ:

- Prepare a draft harvest plan.
- Undertake Archaeological survey , dates were advised.
- Arrange a suitable day for Lynda to meet with Ngati Patupo, ideally in conjunction the week she is on site. Potentially include for some reps to meet with her on site with Mitch to discuss plans.
- Provide Lynda with Zac's contact to liaise with her regarding historical information for the area
- Heritage NZ Authority Process.
- Prepare an outline of forest operations and what will be involved i.e. timeline of activities.
- HFM to develop a draft set of protocols for all work at the forest, including an accidental discovery protocol with contact details and time frames. Work with Ngati Te Wehi and Ngati Patupo reps to make sure this is locally relevant.
- Draft an environmental management and monitoring plan and work to incorporate this with Maturanga Maori.
- For marae traffic management and processes for hui/tangi we will work with Nick.
- Arrange for 6 monthly report back to iwi – potentially including a field trip

Morrison's Forest

Ngati Te Wehi and Ngati Patupo Hui

Te Ara Hou Auditorium, Hamilton

Saturday March 27th 2021

Attendees on sheet attached.

Introductions

Diane discussed Ngati Te Wehi's position relating to land purchase from the Morrison Family and tabled a letter confirming Hawaiki Iti's registration as a listed place.

Aerial footage of forest and wetlands shown. A copy of this will be distributed with the minutes.

Issues discussed:

Harvest

- There was a request to formalise the trees to be left along the coastal strip on the flat adjoining the walkway.
- HFM were reminded that it is very likely that unknown Taonga will be discovered and that the whole area is wahi tapu.
- Tom - raised his concerns about roads and skids bringing tupuna out. Right now he says no to harvesting that forest.
- Boss - raised his concerns that tree roots are going down to tupuna and another point of view is to get the trees off to clear them from tupuna. Stated that we need a road map to work together to get this (harvest) done.
- Philip Mahara - agreed we need to find a way to harvest the trees. In the best interest of Ngati te wehi that the trees are harvested as they are trying to buy the land.
- Charles – said there needs to be healing between whanau. A lot of thinking to do.
- Miki Apete – hopefully we can find some sort of solution. Key is to convince Tom. The last thing he wants to see is Ngati Te Wehi and Ngati Patupo go against each other.
- Brent proposed a field trip to see the large tower, and grapple harvesting system. Specifically invited Tom to have a look.
- Tom – Suggested that the only way is to harvest by helicopter with no roading or skids but cutting the trees is OK. His concern is about bodies that were killed by a tidal wave. There are 3 cemeteries in the forest including one big one near the cave.
- Maxine – taro direct link to Hawaiki it. These and the waterways are of great importance. Also interested to know about trucking, dust etc.
- Haydn asked which of the three harvest areas would be first and suggested that the Hawaiki Iti area was harvested last. Asked why not helicopter? The short answer is the cost and it was noted that even with helicopter logging infrastructure is still required to process logs and for log truck access.

Summarised that people don't want to harvest, but we have to. Ngati Patupo - default position is that the current plan causes too much damage. Asked HFM to provide more options and pros and cons of each option so they can make an informed decision. Suggested offsetting cost of helicopter through settlement claim process. Central issue, how do we remove the trees? Trying to find a pragmatic solution to harvest. Long term plan for

restoration required.

Want alternative options, particularly helicopter and the sequence of compartments.

- HFM was asked if they would sell the trees prior to harvest? HFM confirmed yes the trees could be sold standing. Also raised the option of leaving just the trees around the known historic sites.
- Charles – added that there is a need for more information about the environment. The Skyline sounds like a good solution to him and making sure skids are nowhere near wahi tapu.
- Diane would like access to take core samples to test taro pollen from the site. Would like access to do this.
- Proposal raised to extend the registered wahi tapu site to te Puna o te Korotangi.
- Questions were asked about about climate risks and the risk of coastal inundation.
- Talked about timeframes and the plans for post-harvest planting. It was noted that after harvest the forest will be handed back to the landowners (Morrison's) to manage.
- Pita said that he would like to see the placement of a Pou whakairo on an appropriate location at the forest.

Actions

- HFM to provide description of options for harvesting the block, and the pros and cons.
- Ngati te wehi and Ngati Patupo to meet to discuss options once this is received.
- Hayden to send harvest plan to Rayonier for review. HFM to provide more detail on machinery and harvest notes if required.
- Diane and Sally to arrange access for taking core samples and will discuss protection of Korotangi wetland on site.
- Possible future forest visit for those interested in seeing knifed landings and tower (skyline) harvesting operations.
- Discuss placement of a pou.
- Due to the cultural importance, perhaps TPL may be interested in assisting towards some of the planning site scanning. To discuss further.

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Harvest of Morrisons Forest Aotea – iwi representatives hui
Date	6 October 2021
Time	7pm
Location	Via Microsoft Teams
Attendees	Ngaati Te Wehi, Ngaati Patupoo, Hancock Forest Management, Heritage NZ Charles Haggie, Shirley Stevenson, Pita Te Ngaru, Diane Bradshaw, Davis Apiti, Philip Mahara via phone, Sally Strang, Carolyn Jackson, Brent Donaldson, Sarah-Jane Luoni, Haydn Solomon (from approx. 8pm).
Apologies:	Miki Apiti, John Mahara

Mihi mihi - Pita Te Ngaru

HFM NZ staff were introduced – Brent Donaldson (Area Manager), Carolyn Jackson (Land Manager) and Sarah-Jane Luoni (Environmental Forester).

The group discussed overall views on whether to proceed with harvest, and submission of the Heritage NZ applications and consent application.

Diane and Philip confirmed that Ngaati Te Wehi's position is that they support the harvest going ahead. Davis Apiti and Raymond Mahara will be their representatives to be involved in monitoring on the ground.

Charles noted that Haydn was leading the discussion for Ngaati Patupoo. He will still need to clarify their position.

Diane raised the issue of the protection of Te Puna o Korotangi. Sally confirmed that HFM NZ will fund the archaeological work to register Te Puna o Korotangi as part of the package of work to undertake the harvest, provided there is agreement to proceed. This will form part of the maori values assessment for the Heritage NZ authority. Sally has spoken with Warren Gumbley about undertaking that work.

The next steps are the registration report, Heritage NZ authority, Resource Consent, Registration of Te Puna o Korotangi as wahi tapu. HFM NZ can resource the registration engaging Warren Gumbley if there is agreement to proceed with harvest.

Sally noted that protecting the heritage and cultural values in the block, and the biodiversity values, will be key considerations in the harvest. As far as processes and protocols to be followed, HFM NZ will take guidance from Iwi representatives. It was agreed that periodic reporting will be required at agreed intervals. Diane will provide administration support for

reporting.

Carolyn suggested breaking the block into sections and undertaking periodic monitoring. It was discussed that before undertaking each section of work the plans can be discussed on site, so that the iwi reps are clear how the area is to be harvested and then areas can be checked afterward.

It was agreed that a cultural induction would be carried out with Hancock staff and the crews before harvesting takes place, to share the whakapapa, history and cultural significance before commencement.

Charles confirmed that Pita Te Ngaru and Maxine Tuwhangai will be Ngaati Patupoo's environmental reps to work alongside Davis and Raymond. He also confirmed he would talk to Haydn, Pita and the trust before giving the final go ahead.

Diane raised the potential sale of the land and discussion with the ministers. She noted that TKI TKM are aware that there is a placeholder for land purchase from the Morrison's and that they are working with HFM NZ to manage the harvest as kaitiaki. There has also been discussions about other parties purchasing the land, which is opposed.

Diane raised that she is aiming to get Aotea Harbour recognised as an ancestor, to provide a higher level of protection for the area.

The group discussed the preference for archaeologists and confirmed everyone is happy to continue working with Lynda Walters (InSitu Heritage).

As far as next steps, Sally confirmed that the Heritage NZ Application will be pulled together first, and will be submitted to the group for review and approval. After that the resource consent application to Otorohanga DC will be finalised and circulated for review and sign off. Sally confirmed both applications will be sent to the group on this call for review.

Diane asked about Aotea village issues – noise and safety. Sally discussed the plan to manage disturbance to the town. HFM NZ has had a meeting with the Aotea ratepayers association and had further discussions with people in the houses closest to the forest to discuss a plan for the harvest of the boundary trees (people are not allowed to be within 2 tree lengths during falling). Diane reiterated that as Kaitiaki they need to consider residents. It was noted that taonga may be close to surface and will need to be carefully watched for.

Diane asked about traffic management. HFM NZ confirmed they will be around 15 log trucks per day, staggered through the day. In addition there will be use by metal trucks (while road construction is underway) and crew vehicles etc. The group discussed some tricky areas including the hill up to Mokai Kainga and the intersection of Aotea Rd and Kawhia Rd (SH31). Davis raised a concern about the wet ground along the flats on Morrison Rd and the effect of the weight of the trucks. Sally noted that HFM staff have been in touch with the ODC council roading engineers about the various concerns that have been raised and will bring back their feedback. HFM will also draft a traffic management plan for the area.

Davis noted Aotea.maori.nz as a good resource for HFM to review.

Davis raised the concern that any taonga found will be removed by Heritage NZ. Sally confirmed that if any artefacts or other features are found, the crew will stop work and contact the designated kaitiaki and the archaeologist. Management of any taonga will be a matter between iwi and Heritage NZ.

The group discussed a student study proposal. Meria Ingram has approached Diane about studying the taro and kumara. She is a graduate student from Auckland. Pita noted his full support for the study.

Resourcing was discussed. Davis confirmed he would prefer to invoice his time. For other resourcing such as use of the marae for wider hui, koha will be appropriate. HFM will provide necessary PPE.

Ngati Patupoo confirmed that Miki, Pita and Nick Tuwhangai will be the nominated kaumatua as required.

Sally talked about biodiversity and the importance of protecting the streams and wetlands. Diane noted the Keith Thomson wetland report which HFM NZ have.

Sarah-Jane described the proposed ecological monitoring using a combination of rapid habitat assessment, Landcare Wetmak and eDNA. Davis suggested use of drone monitoring to record the visual progress of harvest, which HFM NZ can arrange.

Diane reiterated the importance of regular communication and formal reporting. It was agreed that reporting would be provided quarterly by HFM NZ. Diane requested a communications plan.

Pita said there is some work to do on internal processes around taonga and koiwi.

Haydn joined the meeting and confirmed that he supported the position that had been arrived at earlier in the meeting.

Sally confirmed the likely timing of harvest commencing will be autumn 2022. That gives the group a good amount of time sort out the planning aspects and any remaining issues and concerns, and undertake pre-harvest inductions etc.

Sally advised that HFM NZ would like to seal the accessway apron on Morrison Rd in the near future, as the person undertaking that work is keen to get it done. This is outside of the forest in the road reserve, and doesn't require any consents etc. The group agreed.

Agreed minutes will be drafted by HFM and circulated to the group for review.

Poroporoaki - Pita Te Ngaru

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Harvest of Morrisons Forest Aotea – iwi representatives hui
Date	23 March 2022
Time	7pm
Location	Via Microsoft Teams
Attendees	Ngaati Te Wehi, Ngaati Patupoo, Hancock Forest Management, Heritage NZ Davis Apiti, Diane Bradshaw, Haydn Solomon, Marian Ruri, Nathan Haggie, Charles Haggie, Nigel Mahara, Shirley Stevenson, Maxine Moana-Tuwhangi, Sarah-Jane Luoni, Brent Donaldson, Carolyn Jackson, Sally Strang
Apologies:	John Mahara

Commented [SS1]: Was Charles on the call at all? Nathan had is camera off initially.

Mihi mihi – Nigel Mahara.

MFM NZ staff introduced.

Items for discussion:

- **Te Puna o Korotangi Heritage NZ Listing:**

Sally gave an overview of progress. At the last meeting Ngaati Te Wehi raised their desire to progress the registration of Te Puna o Korotangi and MFM agreed to assist with that via resourcing the archaeologist to undertake a report. Warren Gumbley recently visited the site and is now starting work on the report.

Diane gave an update on the process so far, including the letter of support from Waikato Tainui for this process. Diane noted it is essential that this application is endorsed by marae members. Nigel confirmed support of Okapu marae. Nathan spoke on behalf of Ngati Patupo and confirmed his support. Haydn spoke and added his support for registration of the site. Marian queried what further protection is being considered over and above of registration, such as through the District Plan.

Diane spoke of Morrison land sale. Advised that the mining interest had withdrawn their expression of interest.

Davis spoke of owning the history and supporting the listing process as a way of recognising it. She noted the work that has been undertaken to date and provenance the taonga that have been found in the areas. As harvest progresses it is possible that further taonga will be located. Diane noted the Ngaati Te Wehi Raoraokauere Ahu Whenua Trust has been reconfirmed as a registered collector by Te Manatu Taonga (letter attached).

Action. Diane to pull together an executive summary of listing details based on Warren's report and circulate to everyone for their support for the Heritage NZ listing.

- **Heritage NZ Authority Application:**

Sally gave update on the Heritage NZ authority for harvesting and earthworks. Thanks to Diane and Davis for their extra work that went into the application. The authority has just this week

been granted. Sally noted a range of conditions in the Authority to ensure that the correct planning and monitoring processes are followed through harvest, with input from the archaeologist and iwi representative.

- **Opotiki District Council resource consent:**

Sally raised the resource consent application. The draft AEE has been circulated. MFM would like to submit so that the council can start the process, given it is likely to take the council planners some time to process the consent. Outlined that the consent is for three things, earthworks in the coastal zone, vehicle movements and earthworks within 100m of a historic site.

If people are in agreement MFM would like to get that to the district council. Marian has not been on the circulation list and will now be added.

Davis expressed that he hopes lessons have been learnt from the subdivision resource consent process. It wasn't well done on the cultural aspect. Hopes we're going to get it right this time.

Davis shared that Sally and Sarah-Jane have been on the ground with him and are listening and understand the issues. He is on the ground and making sure things are right and that didn't happen last time when the last consent was opposed.

Sally noted that one way forward is to finalise the cultural management protocol and potentially this could be referenced in the consent conditions.

With regard to timing Sally noted the plan is still to commence roading in the block this coming winter. This will depend on granting of the consent.

Maxine asked about how sites will be protected. Particularly interested in streams and taro.

Sally responded that MFM has a harvest plan that has been designed so as to avoid direct impacts on sites by roads etc. Harvesting of trees around sites will be managed through a site by site process and collaborative effort on site with input from nominated kaitiaki, harvesting crew, archaeologist and MFM to develop an agreed plan for each site.

Diane asked about documents, particularly harvest plans. Talked about taonga found in the area and reiterated that there will be new finds as work progresses. Tikanga framework for this harvest is really important, Diane stated that in the past whanau have opposed harvest because of the wahi tapu. She commented that the relationship is growing well and over time we have agreed on matters.

One important step is post-harvest, what the site is going to look like.

Diane – asked about a kaitiaki from Patupo. Marian will go back to Pita and ask. At the moment Davis is undertaking this work.

Davis noted he's there for the whanau and is preparing a report and keeping kaitiaki up to date.

Davis confirmed he is happy for his reports to be shared.

Marian confirmed she will talk to Ngati Patupo about having someone out there to assist Davis.

Actions:

- **Sally to circulate the minutes of the last hui, the draft protocol and AEE together to members for feedback, with a timeframe for response.**
- **Marian will discuss with whanau and provide a response from Ngati Patupo**

- **Road Safety:**

Maxine asked about trucks, particularly on Aotea Road, noting that the kids currently use the road for walking, running etc.

Sally noted the clearly the road is narrow and windy so the key issue will be drivers driving appropriately and keeping speeds down. She outlined the plan to communicate with residents, letter drop outlining likely timing and safety measures, speed limits, no weekend work etc. A 'Share the road' education programme with the local schools also an option.

A key issue is the Aotea/Kawhia Road intersection. The road configuration makes it impossible to exit Aotea Rd in a truck without tracking into the other lane, as we seen during the recent Okapu Farm harvesting. MFM have discussed this with Waka Kotahi and agreed a plan to reduce the speed limit on Kawhia Rd at the intersection to 60 km/hr and install warning signs and a mirror to improve visibility.

Davis noted his particular concern with that intersection and the need to cut back the bank looking back toward Kawhia. Sally noted that MFM and district council engineers are meeting soon and discussing cutting another corner back on Morrison Rd. She will ask that they also look at that corner.

Action: Sally to arrange for engineers to include the Aotea Rd/Kawhia Rd intersection in their on site discussions.

- **Kaitiaki update from Davis:**

Davis spoke to his kaitiaki role, and the great experience it has been to be involved in the field, acknowledging the knowledge of Warren Gumbley and also the great input from Eady Manawaiti. Diane explained that Eady was an intern over the summer who spent time with Manulife and will continue to be involved as work progresses. Eady is an environmental science student.

Davis report shared his latest report on screen and he spoke to the detail in it. Lots of great detail, noting that he is 5th generation looking after this special place.

The group also discussed the Keith Thompson diagram of Te Puna o Korotangi noting that it is effectively the same area that is reserved as wetland today. Diane asked about water quality and discussed the sensitivities of working around the wetland, particularly the dam.

Water sampling was discussed for water quality – nutrients etc.

Action Davis and Sarah-Jane to complete a water sample next visit.

Diane has water quality results from John Morrison from Hills for comparison.

Carolyn questioned whether there is a drinking water supply from the forest – it was confirmed that there isn't.

- **Contractor cultural induction:**

It was noted that over time different contractors will be working in the forest, firstly, a road line crew and engineering, followed by a harvesting crew. MFM would like to start thinking about a date for an induction for the first crews. It was noted a Friday would suit the crews best.

It was noted that Mokai Kainga is currently closed, Okapu shearing shed was suggested as an alternative venue. The group confirmed that Pita is the contact to organise this.

Action: MFM to contact Pita to make arrangements for the induction.

General Business:

- MFM noted that James Mahara has contacted MFM about employment opportunities in his Waikato Tainui role. Brent and Sally spoke with James about programs underway to get people into forestry. The Generation Program is a key pathway and CNI Wood Council is leading this in the region and MFM. James and Damita Mita from the CNI Wood Council have spoken already.
- Sally noted that she will talk to James about the consent also as a representative of the Okapu F2 Trust.
- Nathan spoke to say that he heard a lot of positives from the hui. Safety and wahi tapu front of mind. Lets get this sorted and get moving in the best and safest way that we can.

Poroporoaki - Nigel Mahara.

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Undertake initial baseline biodiversity monitoring.	Underway
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