



Education Report: Terms of Reference for Te Pae Roa

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Purpose of Report

The purpose of this paper is to provide you with the Terms of Reference for Te Pae Roa and seek your approval for it to adopt these Terms of Reference.

Recommended Actions

Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga recommends that you:

- a. **Agree** to the Terms of Reference for Te Pae Roa attached as Annex 1.

☒ **Agree** ☐ **Disagree**

- b. **Note** that the Terms of Reference for Te Pae Roa will be published on Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga website after your approval.


☒ **Noted**

- c. **Agree** that Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga releases this briefing in full once it has been considered by you.

☒ **Agree** ☐ **Disagree**


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Hon Kelvin Davis
Associate Minister of
Education – (Māori
Education)

05/ 03/ 2022

Background

1. You are committed to a work programme that builds a better system to support Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education for our students, kaiako and whānau. It aims for a target of 30 percent of Māori learners participating in Māori medium and kaupapa Māori kura and early learning services by 2040, and to grow the kaupapa Māori workforce. You received Cabinet agreement to progress this work in October 2021 [CAB-21-MIN-0395 refers].
2. Cabinet agreed that Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga undertakes regular and ongoing discussions about the work programme with Māori and other stakeholders based on guidance from an independent Oversight Group (the Māori Education Oversight Group).
3. An independent Māori Education Oversight Group, Te Pae Roa, was approved by Cabinet and established in December 2021 to ensure that Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga creates a space for rangatiratanga and to progress this programme in partnership with Māori [METIS 1271334 refers].
4. The current Ministerial appointments are Dr Wayne Ngata (Chair), Moe Milne, Rahui Papa, Miriama Prentice and Jason Ake. You have agreed to several positions being held open by Te Pae Roa for Te Matakāhuki to appoint up to four further members covering representation from Te Matakāhuki.
5. The establishment of Te Pae Roa includes agreed rules of engagement, agreed definitions, and a Terms of Reference confirming the scope of its role. Te Pae Roa is responsible for overseeing engagement and submitting final options within the timelines of Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga.
6. Te Pae Roa has been meeting regularly since 21 December 2021 to undertake the above-mentioned tasks and has agreed on its Terms of Reference (attached as Annex 1) for your approval. Once the Terms of Reference are approved, they will be published on Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga website.

Annex 1: Terms of Reference Te Pae Roa

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Draft Terms of Reference

Te Pae Roa – Independent Oversight Group for Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education pathways

Background

Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga is undertaking a work programme of reform in the Māori medium education and kaupapa Māori education space.

To ensure that the work programme, initiatives, and the development of legislation are developed in partnership with iwi, Māori and Māori education experts, the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) has appointed an independent Māori Oversight Group 'Te Pae Roa' to work alongside Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga.

Role of Te Pae Roa

Te Pae Roa will provide advice and assurance to the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) and will partner with Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga in 3 areas:

- Engagement and co-design with Māori
- Legislative reform
- Proposed new work programme for Māori medium education and kaupapa Māori education.

Engagement and co-design with Māori, including but not limited to:

- Te Pae Roa members will lead all engagement with Māori. This will mean members are expected to take an active role in hui with iwi, hapū and communities as well as peak body groups interested in engaging in this work.
- Provide assurances that the development of the legislation and the new work programme is undertaken in partnership with Māori.
- Provide assurances that the programme of engagement is mana-enhancing for both Māori and the Crown.

Legislative reform, including but not limited to:

- Provide assurances that the proposed legislation is in line with the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education)'s intention to:
 - Create space in the education system for kaupapa Māori education providers to exercise their own rangatiratanga.
 - Enable Māori medium / kaupapa Māori education to grow.
- Will partner with Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga officials to draft proposed legislative reform.
- Oversee the formation of the legislation to ensure that the aspirations of the Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education sector have been addressed.

Proposed new work programme for Māori medium education, including but not limited to:

- Provide advice and assurances that the work programme is fit for purpose, and focused on growing kaupapa Māori education and creating space for them to express their own rangatiratanga.

Contestability of advice

Both Te Pae Roa and Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga will provide advice to the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) on the areas outlined in these Terms of Reference in good faith, and with regards to the interests of the other.

The current membership of Te Pae Roa

Name	Position	Term	Iwi	Location
Dr Wayne Ngata	Chair	18 months from date of appointment	Ngāti Ira, Ngāti Porou, Te Aitanga a Hauiti	Te Tai Rawhiti
Moe Milne	Member	18 months from date of appointment	Ngāti Hine	Northland
Rahui Papa	Member	18 months from date of appointment	Ngāti Koroki, Kahukura	Otorohanga
Miriama Prentice	Member	18 months from date of appointment	Ngāti Tuwharetoa	Turangi
Jason Ake	Member	18 months from date of appointment	Tauranga Moana	Hamilton

The Chair, in consultation with members of Te Pae Roa and the Chair and members of Te Matakāhuki, can appoint up to four further members covering representation from Te Matakāhuki. This may include one representative each for Te Kōhanga Reo National Trust, Te Rūnanga Nui o Ngā Kura kaupapa Māori o Aotearoa, Ngā Kura ā Iwi o Aotearoa, and Te Taihū o Ngā Wānanga.

The decision to take up these positions remains with Te Matakāhuki.

Operation of Te Pae Roa

Te Pae Roa will be supported by a Technical Advisory Group (TAG). These members will work alongside Te Pae Roa to provide it with the support and advice it requires in its role.

The TAG has a separate Terms of Reference (approved by the Chair of Te Pae Roa and Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga).

Members are expected to prepare for and participate in Te Pae Roa meetings, as well as prepare for and facilitate engagement events.

The Chair is also expected to regularly engage with Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga officials via correspondence and meetings, direct the TAG, and take on other responsibilities required to lead the work of Te Pae Roa.

Members will be paid for their time in accordance with the Cabinet Fees Framework.

Relationships

In addition to the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education), Te Pae Roa will have relationships with a range of teams, Deputy Secretaries inside Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga, as well as: leaders within Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education, the National Iwi Chairs Forum, Māori leaders, iwi, hapū and whānau. Te Pae Roa contact with these groups will be facilitated by the TAG.

Te Pae Roa may request information and insights from government agencies and entities with a role in Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education outside of Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga. The requests should be managed via the TAG in consultation with Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga officials.

Te Pae Roa will meet regularly. Members may be invited by the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) to attend ad hoc meetings, workshops or focus groups consistent with the mandate and objectives of Te Pae Roa.

Te Pae Roa commenced in December 2021 following Cabinet approval. The Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) may revoke the appointment of the members or disestablish the Group at any time.

Conflicts of Interest

Members will disclose all actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest as they relate to these Terms of Reference, to the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) and Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga.

Media

The Chair may seek agreement from the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education) and Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga to release media statements on any matter related to these Terms of Reference.

Confidentiality

For Te Pae Roa to operate effectively, members must maintain the confidence of Te Pae Roa, including maintaining confidentiality of matters discussed at meetings, and any information or documents provided to Te Pae Roa. These confidentiality requirements do not apply to material that is already in the public domain.

Where Te Pae Roa needs to release material or discuss the workings or advice of Te Pae Roa to facilitate engagement with iwi and stakeholders, the Chair will seek permission from the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education).

All information provided to Te Pae Roa will be treated as official information under the Official Information Act 1982 and, subject to the requirements of that Act, may be released to the public if there are no grounds for withholding it.