



Briefing Note: Meeting with Te Mātāwai – 22 September, 9-945am

To:	Hon Kelvin Davis, Associate Minister of Education – (Māori Education)		
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Purpose of Report

The purpose of this paper is to provide you with information and talking points for your meeting with Te Mātāwai on 22 September from 9-9.45am to discuss the role of Te Pae Roa and the Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education work programme. You are meeting with one of the Co-Chairs Bernie O'Donnell (Reikura Kahi is the other chair) and Poia Rewi, Te Mātāwai Tumu Whakarae. Talking points are attached (Annex 1).

Proactive Release

- a **agree** that the Ministry of Education release this briefing in full once it has been considered by you.

☒ **Agree** ☐ **Disagree**


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Hon Kelvin Davis
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Background

1. You are meeting with Te Mātāwai on 22 September from 9-9.45am to discuss the role of Te Pae Roa and the Māori medium and kaupapa Māori education work programme. You are meeting with one of the Co-Chairs Bernie O'Donnell (Reikura Kahi is the other chair) and Poia Rewi, Te Mātāwai Tumu Whakarae.
2. Daryn Bean is available to attend this meeting with you if the attendance of a Ministry Official is required.

Te Mātāwai

3. Te Mātāwai believes that confident and connected Māori language-speaking whānau and communities who are secure in their cultural identity are essential to the overall wellbeing of whānau.
4. It promotes that success in revitalising the Māori language requires an active partnership between iwi Māori and the Crown.
5. Te Mātāwai encourages kāinga, hāpori and iwi to identify, pursue and fulfil their own Māori language aspirations through its investment programme, building a strong knowledge base and demonstrating leadership to support the revitalisation of the Māori language.
6. A key function of Te Mātāwai is to manage services that contribute towards achieving the vision of the Maihi Māori language strategy, which was developed by and for iwi and Māori to lead their own revitalisation efforts.
7. **Te Mātāuru – Investment Programme** invests in opportunities to support Māori language revitalisation among kāinga, hāpori and iwi. Every year, investment rounds seek applications that align with Kāhui investment plans and the goals of the Maihi Māori strategy.
8. **Kia Ūkaipō anō te Reo** is Te Mātāwai's vision to restore the Māori language as a nurturing first language for tamariki and mokopuna.
9. To realise this vision, it wants to see two high-level outcomes in homes and communities:
 - Tuakiri – use of the Māori language in kāinga, hāpori and iwi enhances local identity and community cohesion
 - Whakatupuranga – whānau are supported to re-establish and maintain the Māori language as a first language
10. Its goals are that by 2040:
 - One million people or more are using Māori language in community immersion domains
 - The Māori language has become the first language of 25 percent of all Māori children (aged up to seven years old)
11. It is focusing on five outcome areas:
 - i. **Whānau wellbeing / oranga o te whānau:** more whānau feeling confident in navigating their own Māori language journey
 - ii. **Immersion domains / rumaki:** whānau have increased access to bilingual and immersion domains throughout Aotearoa

- iii. **Intergenerational transmission / reo tuku iho:** more whānau have increased their daily use of Māori language across generations
- iv. **Reo movements / kōkiritanga reo:** increased number of whānau connected to movements where Māori language and identity is promoted and enhanced
- v. **Iwi identity / tuakiri:** whānau have an improved sense of iwi identity when Māori language is visible and valued at a local and national level

Engagement regarding the Work Programme

- 12. We understand that Te Mātāwai wrote to both yourself and Te Pae Roa earlier this year to discuss the Work Programme.
- 13. On 12 April you wrote to Poia Rewi (Ref: 002246) in response to the request to discuss the Work Programme with you. You encouraged Te Mātāwai to contact Te Pae Roa directly, as the independent engagement lead, to schedule a specific engagement hui.
- 14. This has been consistent with the approach to other interested parties who have requested a discussion with you about the Work Programme.
- 15. Te Pae Roa has informed us that it contacted Te Mātāwai on two occasions to arrange a hui but that Te Mātāwai declined, indicating a desire to meet with you instead.
- 16. Te Mātāwai declined the offer to review and comment on the Education Report: *Māori Medium / Kaupapa Māori Education: Options for a new framework* that your office received on 4 August 2022 (Metis 1292149 refers).
- 17. s 9(2)(f)(iv)
- 18. The Ministry will consult with Te Mātāwai during the agency consultation phase of the upcoming Cabinet Paper, likely to be in October.

Annexes

Annex 1: Talking points