

#### Newsletter September 2017

Korohi pō korohi ao
Ko Rongo i tūria ki te matahau o Tū
Tū te winiwini Tū te wanawana
Tū i whakaputaia ki te wheiao ki
Te ao mārama tihei mauriora!
E ngā mana e ngā reo e ngā kaipupuri hea
tēnā koutou katoa.
Ngā aitua kua wehe atu ki tua o Paerau
Haere atu koutou
Hoki atu ki te kāinga tūturu mo tātou te tangata
Koutou te hunga mate ki a koutou
tātou te hunga ora ki a tātou
Tihei Mauriora!

#### Acknowledgements

The Trustees acknowledge the recent passing of Meti Kerehoma, Abraham 'Jimmy' Heka, Ellen Ihaka, Hemi Kapa, Vincent Kuru-Nathan, Kahu James Harawira, Pirihira Hohepa and Emily Nathan.

#### Staffing Update

We are very pleased to advise you that Paul Sowerby has been appointed as our new Forest Manager who started with us in July this year.

From Paul: I have 30 years in the Forestry sector throughout NZ and Australia starting at the grass roots moving into harvesting, contracting then developing Procurement further into Management. I also helped with a footprint in the development of Papatoa Forest Training course now Te Wananga O Aotearoa. I have undertaken business developments in forestry and other sectors (mining, oil & gas) at a corporate tier, thus creating revenue streams and employment that has taken peoples from NZ and Australia giving new opportunities for personal development and ability to support Whanau.

I find myself with passion for the land, trees and Ocean as I am a 4th generation in the forestry, farming and fishing sectors in Aotearoa. Hence moving to Northland, I find myself breathing for the first time.

I grew up in the Whanganui and Manawatu districts where I became schooled in agriculture and forestry. My own whakapapa leads back to Ko Maniapoto te Iwi, Ko Ranginui te Iwi.

I have also been fortunate to play Rugby League at a high level that opened doors for me to travel the globe as a younger man, with this embracing team and leadership mindsets.

With all this in mind my aspiration is to inspire others around me and further help to develop the Northland into gaining sovereignty for the Forestry sector whereby our peoples gain self-governance over their assets as a collective today and going forward into a future. My inception is about working for Te Tamariki and Mokopuna in the Kura Kaupapa and Kohanga so that as they grow they are E pai ana and know what is theirs to look after. Further imparting them to gain a sense of kaitiaki for the assets that have been blessed to the peoples in the Northland of Aotearoa.

Naku Noa na

Tena Koutou Tena Koutou Katoa, Paul.

#### Takutai Moana application

The Committee of Management submitted an application to the Crown and High Court earlier this year, seeking recognition of the foreshore and seabed interests of Parengarenga shareholders and associated iwi. Our applications relate to the foreshore and seabed areas immediately abutting Parengarenga Incorporation lands (i.e. where our lands meet the beach and harbour). We are in the process of compiling our historical records to support the application. We have also met with Te Aupouri Runanga, seeking to align our respective applications. Nationally, over 300 applications were lodged by the cut-off date, many with overlapping interests, so it will be a slow process. We expect to get a view from the Court/Crown Law on our applications in March 2018.

#### Strategic Planning Review

Our facilitated Strategic Planning Review was held in March this year and was eagerly attended by our Trustees and staff as well as some shareholders and future Trustee possibilities. We invited representatives from various organisations involved in meat, forestry, horticulture, tourism, Maori Agri-Business and aquaculture to speak about their specific industries.

We have produced our Strategic Plan as an outcome of this session. It now provides us with a Vision, a Core Purpose, Core Values and Goals. This is available from our office upon request.

Management has distilled this down into the Business Plan for the current Financial Year which is monitored on a quarterly basis.

#### Farm and Forestry Update

We are committed to attaining our goal of an ecofriendly farming brand with the implementation of our sustainable farming strategy by securing the resources of a soil scientist, a native plant specialist and fertilizer companies to work alongside our Farm Manager to monitor our progress. Ongoing testing and analysis of our pasture capability will give us the results we need to ensure our farming strategy is on track to deliver optimum results for the Incorporation's farming sector. Also, we have moved into cross-sector farming by planting non-productive farm areas with multiflora mixed native plants in preparation for our apiculture venture and tourist walkways. These are exciting times for the Incorporation.

Kathryne Easton, an Agribusiness Consultant who has previously worked as a Land Management Advisor with the Northern Regional Council, has highlighted common issues for all harbours and estuaries areas in Northland where water bodies drain into those areas and settle sediment and faecal content that can cause issues for shellfish and marine life. We have employed local people to assist us with the planting of mixed multiflora natives in riparian areas to do our part to help keep our waterways clean.

### **Amalgamation Update**

We continue to work with a Maori Land Courtappointed person dedicated to produce a process to move forward with our amalgamation which is very encouraging.

### **Supporting Our Community**

We continue to support our local kura, kohanga and sports club.

# Shareholder and shareholding queries – can you help please?

We would appreciate current contact details for the whanau of the following shareholders:

- 1. Ken Harris
- 2. Edgar Waaka Harris
- 3. John Hone Yates
- 4. Tunisia Tipoki nee Otene

We have hundreds of shareholders without any address or contact details for many reasons and we want to be able to contact as many as possible to update them on the matters of the Incorporation. Please do contact this office if you can help with details for any of the above people and to check if there may be others that you may know.

#### Our contact details

We are located at 6636 Far North Road, Te Kao. Our postal address is 6636 Far North Road, RD 4, Kaitaia 0484. Telephone: (09) 409 7831. Email: info@parengarenga.co.nz

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## **PANUI**

## Parengarenga A Incorporation and B3C Trust AGM

#### 25<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at Potahi Marae, Te Kao

All shareholders and interested persons are advised of the Annual General meeting of Parengarenga A Incorporation and B3C Trust.

Vacancies are open for two Committee of Management positions this year. If you feel you have the skills and experience to add value to our business, please complete the attached nomination form and return to our office by 4.00pm, Friday 27th October 2017.

The two trustees up for rotation this year are **Pereniki Conrad** and **Clayton Wiki** – who are also re-standing for election.

Morning tea will be available from 8.30am and the meeting proper will start at 9.00am.