

# WHAREONGAONGA 5 Blocks Trust Pānui

*Whakamana te mauri o Whareongaonga  
Empower the life and wellbeing of Whareongaonga*

**Pānui 1**

**AUGUST 2020**

Kia Ora koutou, anei nga pānui o W5 Blocks Trust  
Greetings all, this is an update of activities at W5 Blocks Trust

## **Whakahaerenga - Trust Activities**

### **Annual General Meeting**

The annual general meeting will be held on

Saturday 22nd August 2020  
at 10am

Muriwai Marae Gisborne

We will be livestreaming this event and a link will be posted on our Facebook page

"Like" our facebook page

**Whareongaonga 5 Blocks Trust**  
for public notices,  
updates and information

### **Whareongaonga website**

Whareongaonga has launched a website to connect with our shareholders

As a member you can view our online content, use the forum to communicate with Whānau and ask Trustees any questions you may have

Register to be a member at  
**[www.whareongaonga.com](http://www.whareongaonga.com)**

(Only shareholders of Whareongaonga 5 Blocks Trust can become members)

### **Need to update details?**

Please be sure to update your contact details with us

Send them to:

**[whareongaonga5@gmail.com](mailto:whareongaonga5@gmail.com)**

**06-8671400**

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# -OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES-

## -WHANAUNGATANGA-



### RACHEL WETERE

MEMBER OF THE BOARD SINCE: 2015

IWI: NGĀI TĀMANUHIRI, NGĀTI POROU, NGĀTI RANGITIHI

ROLE: BOARD CHAIR

GOALS FOR THE TRUST: To ensure our land is never taken away from us, to then ensure our land thrives with the people, to reconnect the whānau to the whenua, to create an economy of scale that is of beneficial to w5 beneficiaries, to create a succession of trustees that have the confidence to continue to look after whareongaonga, to remember our histories that will inform our futures, to increase our shareholder database, to share our stories for all our beneficiaries, to celebrate our rangatahi and mokopuna - the future leaders of our land; to 'whakamana te mauri o whareongaonga'

### TUI FERRIS

MEMBER OF THE BOARD SINCE: 2017

IWI: NGĀI TĀMANUHIRI, RONGOWHAKAATA

ROLE: DEPUTY CHAIR

GOALS FOR THE TRUST: Toi te whenua mō ake tonu ake mō ngā whānau me ngā uri o whareongaonga 5



### MATENE BLANDFORD

MEMBER OF THE BOARD SINCE: 2019

IWI: NGĀI TĀMANUHIRI, RONGOWHAKAATA

ROLE: STRATEGIC PROJECTS MANAGER

GOALS FOR THE TRUST: For the land to become a self managed asset our tupuna would be proud of





# HENARE POROU

MEMBER OF THE BOARD SINCE: 2005

IWI: NGĀI TĀMANUHIRI, NGĀTI POROU WHANAU

ROLE: TRUSTEE

GOALS FOR THE TRUST: Safe financial growth

To attract learned rangatahi to succession in the trust



# KYLEE POTAE

MEMBER OF THE BOARD SINCE: 2014

IWI: NGĀTI ONEONE, TE WHĀNAU A RUATAUPARE

ROLE: SECRETARY & ACCOUNTANT

GOALS FOR THE TRUST: To assist the trustees to realise their strategic aspirations



# ALLIES WHAKATAKA

MEMBER OF THE BOARD SINCE: 2001

IWI: TE POHO O NGĀI TĀMANUHIRI

ROLE: TRUSTEE

GOALS FOR THE TRUST: To set a strong foundation for the shareholders, their tamariki and their mokopuna that will sustain them for the future

Kia whakamana te mauri o whareongaonga Empower the life and wellbeing of whareongaonga



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**-WHANAUNGATANGA-**

# BOARD UPDATE

Kia ora koutou katoa, nau mai ki tēnei pānui o Whareongaonga 5 Blocks Trust. We are wanting to keep you in touch with your whenua, by releasing a quarterly pānui that updates you on what is happening and what we are doing as the Trustees for W5. The first pānui is about sending you key information on our AGM, how to connect to our website and the profile of the trustees.

Since the last AGM, we have changed our financial reporting to March; therefore the AGM is held at an earlier date of August - this makes our mahi align to a more realistic timeline of activities and we can report back to you with annual focus. I will be giving a more detailed summary of our events in the AGM document, which also has copies of the previous AGM minutes to reflect on as well. Our strategic plan was drafted to you all at the previous AGM, with the vision remaining the same 'Whakamana te mauri o Whareongaonga'.

**The goals within the strategic plan has been to focus on three key business areas:**

1. Honey - a sustainable approach for the block
2. Natives - development of natives nursery and natives forestry on the block
3. Tourism - development of an eco-tourism plan

**In addition to the 3 key business areas, we also continue to:**

- increase our shareholder registrations through comms
- maintain our forestry lease with Aratu Forests Ltd
- keep the investment portfolio steady with ANZ bank
- ensure our operations/administration policies/processes are robust and transparent for all shareholders
- achieve the education portfolio as agreed at the last AGM
- deliver on our agreed budget plans
- maintain the homestead/roading on the block with H&S processes and general maintenance of the lands
- pursue funding that will support the 3 key business areas of the strategic plan

As you know, the lockdown period has affected us all and this has impacted on our progress, but we have picked things up and look forward to updating you all at our AGM with the focus for the next financial year of activities. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Ms Karena Toroa, who was resigned from the fixed-term position of Operations Manager and am very grateful for all the mahi she has contributed to the block; both as a governance role in the past and in the operational role as well.

Looking forward to seeing you at our AGM which will also be Livestreamed

A link will be promoted on our Facebook page for those of you that are unable to travel



W5 Board of Trustees pictured Left to Right:  
Matene Blandford, Karena Toroa, Tui Ferris, Rachel Porou,  
Kylee Potae, Allies Whakataka, Henare Porou