

Chair, Tuhoronuku IMA
Hone Sadler

23rd September 2016

E te Heamana e Hone, Tena koe,

I write to inform you that I am resigning from my position as Trustee of Tuhoronuku for the following reasons.

I will no longer participate in any organisation that does not fully support the mana of our hapū leading the Ngāpuhi claims settlement process.

Our Tuhoronuku leadership has failed to provide a supportive and safe environment for our Ngapuhi Hapu Kaikorero to participate in any meaningful way to date. They have refused to listen and respond to the desires of our iwi, nor have they been willing to be transparent and accountable to our people for the decisions that Tuhoronuku have made.

Some trustees have continually pushed personal agendas that have distracted from the real and important issues in front of Ngapuhi, which has drawn our board into disrepute and quite frankly at times their behaviour has in my honest opinion been disgraceful.

The Tuhoronuku process to date has not prepared our iwi in any manner whatsoever to enter into negotiations with the Crown. Huge amounts of money, time, resources and relationships have been squandered with absolutely nothing to show for it. Personally I find extremely shameful.

It is most important to me that we carry the mana of our whānau, marae, hapū and iwi of Ngāpuhi with us on this journey. We must act as our people would expect us to. Sadly, collectively the Tuhoronuku board has fallen well short of their expectations. I am here for my people. No one else.

For these reasons I no longer have any Trust in the leadership of the Tuhoronuku board and render by resignation as a Trustee effective immediately.



Cheryl Turner
Te Pouka, Ngati Korokoro me Ngati Wharara
Nga Hapu o Te Wahapu o Hokianga