NGĂTI PAOA IVI TRUST ANNUAL REPORT 2022 - 2023



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Kei ngā tai nunui, kei ngā tai roroa o Tīkapa oneone hokinga kāinga. Pari mai rā ki te tāhuna torea o Wharekawa, o Ōmaru, o Waiheke otiia ngā nōhanga huhua o ngā mātua tūpuna o Ngāti Pāoa. Ki konei tātou ngā uri a Pāoa rāua ko Tukutuku e kari ai te onepū, e kimi ana i te tūāpapa o te whenua hei hanga i `tōku nei whare'. Hei oranga whānau, hei oranga hapū, hei oranga iwi e.



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Kei ngā kōkō tangiwai kua motu nei i te taringa, ngā kuru tongarerewa, koutou kua mauhere i roto i te kūpenga o Taramainuku. Haere whoatu ki te pūtahi nui o Rehua, ki te kāhui whetū e kōrikoriko ana mōu.



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CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Kei aku mõtoi kahotea, ngā whakamireirei o tēnā koko, o tērā koko o Ngāti Pāoa, tēnā hoki tātou katoa. Tautoko mārika ana ngā aumihi ki a rātou mā kua rūpeke atu ki tua o pae i tēnei huringa tau kua taha ake nei. I whakaaro tonu ana ahau mō te huringa tau 160 i whakaaturia e tātou i Pūkorokoro nō reira e ngā mate kia au ai te moe.

Ko tāku atu ki a koutou e te iwi kua whakatikatika, kua whakaoraora mātou i tō tātou nei waka kia tika te haere ki te pae tawhiti. Heoti anō rā, nōku te maringa nui kia whakaatu atu tēnei pūrongo kia marama ai koutou ka koke whakamua tō tātou nei waka a Ngāti Pāoa ki whea, ā, kia makere ki uta tēnei waka ki te pae tata, ka whakamaua kia tina!

I would like to start my report through a reflective piece of writing. My first engagement with Treaty claims was back in 1989, working with Tai Turoa in the Hauraki Research Unit at the Hauraki Māori Trust Board and with many kaumātua, who worked meticulously on researching our history and whakapapa. Led by Huhurere Tukukino, I recall the WAI 100 claims presented at Ngāhutoitoi Marae in Paeroa in 1998 where my father Mane Wiremu Peeke, our whanaunga Tipa Compain, and Julia Rawiri provided evidence on behalf of Ngāti Pāoa to the Waitangi Tribunal. The room was packed and there was a sense of unity across Hauraki whānui as many of our whakapapa and narratives were intertwined and linked to each other. Many of those kaumātua have now passed and it saddens me that the Crown has taken so long to bring their grievance to the forefront to settle outstanding claims.



Herearoha Skipper - NPIT Chair

I recall many trips with my father to Makomako marae, Wharekawa marae, and Tāmaki as a taiohi to attend Ngāti Pāoa hui and wānanga, however paying absolutely no attention to the kōrero. In 1999 I had just given birth to my 6th child, Horowhenua, when I was appointed as a trustee to Te Rūnanganui o Ngāti Pāoa. This was a major culture shock being put straight into tribal politics. Many of our whānau have taken this journey over the years and dedicated their lives to serve our people to get us to this point in time today.

I think about all our tūpuna who remained resilient through the impacts of colonisation, the loss of te reo Māori, the introduction of British law that deliberately aimed to stop our people from using traditional Māori practices, the land confiscation that targeted lands from Ngāti Pāoa,

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and the economic and social impacts of colonial change. It's quite ironic that we have launched our own te reo program for Ngāti Pāoa and our kaupapa Māori social services that is entrenched using a Ngāti Pāoa lens.

Ngāti Pāoa have spent decades in negotiations with the Crown to get the best possible settlement for our people. We as a people need to regain back mana motuhake over our own affairs, but to do this we must heal from the conflicts inflicted upon ourselves. The past 3year term for the current NPIT trustees has required significant commitment to stabilise our waka and to build competency, capability, and capacity. The purpose of the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust, as the post-settlement governance entity (PSGE) and representative body for Ngāti Paoa as an iwi, is to give Ngāti Paoa a voice.

I would like to highlight the progress that has been made to finally get to the first reading for the Ngāti Pāoa Claims Settlement Bill in Parliament, followed by the Māori Affairs Committee hearing, which received at minimum 74% support from submissions. As we await the response from the Committee, the Iwi Trust will continue to operate in a modest way – so concluding all aspects of the settlement must be a key focus of the Iwi Trust in 2024. This includes holding a series of hui to finalise the Marutūāhu and Hauraki collective settlements.

We have also worked hard to rebuild the foundation of our organisation to ensure we have robust operational systems, financial systems and policies in preparation for settlement. We have appointed an interim board of directors for Ngāti Pāoa Group Investment Ltd (NPGIL) and will advertise for permanent directors leading up to settlement.

In April this year we reached a major milestone of growing the Ngāti Paoa presence in Tāmaki

Makaurau, particularly in Mauinaina (Panmure) and Glen Innes. The opening of the office in Panmure in full view of Maungarei and near Mokoia pā has been a highlight for our team. We acknowledge the important relationship built with E Tipu E Rea Whānau Services in this shared office space. There's a heap of modifications taking place in the office as new spaces are built to accommodate the growing team. Noting that half of the E Tipu e Rea team whakapapa to Ngāti Pāoa and they are providing health and social services to address the inequities and barriers experienced by whanau across the sector. We encourage more Ngāti Paoa to apply for upcoming roles within the E Tipu e Rea service. Discussions are well underway to formalise our relationship to work more closely supporting the health and wellbeing of Ngāti Pāoa whānau.

As we reflect on the wellbeing of our people, I would like to stress the importance of unity among Ngāti Paoa, the need to treat people with respect and kindness. We need to focus on where the iwi is going, not where it has been. We have experienced some real difficult times over the years and it is now time to regather, reflect, and move forward.

The gathering together for He Rā Maumahara – Pūkorokoro 160 Years was a significant event to commemorate the bombardment of our pā and the destruction by the British crown upon our tūpuna. Many Ngāti Pāoa gathered in the early morning, we witnessed the torrential downpour as each kaikōrero delivered the historical accounts followed by waiata tautoko from local schools. Ngāti Pāoa are a waka people, deeply connected to the moana and with a break in the weather saw our waka back on Tīkapa. The lwi Trust will look to support events that are significant to Ngāti Pāoa as a community, while also respecting the important role of marae and whānau.

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Just as important is the wellbeing of our taiao! Ngāti Pāoa Iwi Trust, through Pou Rāhui, has embarked on an action-based research project to restore the declining biodiversity of Tīkapa moana through mātauranga Māori. Our taiohi have begun training to uphold an important role as kaitiaki and learn a range of techniques for restoration. This has all been over-clouded by the existence of exotic Caulerpa discovered around Thompsons Point in Onetangi, on Waiheke Island. Ngāti Pāoa have laid down a rāhui restricting boats from anchoring in these areas to avoid spreading this toxic weed. We are lobbying and working with central and local government, philanthropic and community organisations. Our aim is for total elimination!

There have been so many kaupapa that request the attention of Ngāti Pāoa, especially across Tāmaki Makaurau from many agencies. However, we totally lack the capacity to engage with every kaupapa, so we have to priortise to ensure our representation positions us across our rohe. We acknowledge the support given to the Iwi Trust by many Ngāti Pāoa, particularly kaumātua who have represented the iwi in many ways, including the Iwi Trust's Validation Committee, the Ngāti Pāoa marae committees, and cultural practitioners. The Ngāti Pāoa Iwi Trust acknowledges the many relationships across Pare Hauraki, Pare Waikato, Tāmaki Makaurau, central and local government, community groups, private enterprise, education organisations, and others.

I would like to emphasise the importance of identity and knowing who we are and how we belong. There is a growing aspiration that Ngāti Pāoa everywhere can speak te reo Māori, know our tikanga, our whakapapa and our history, and have opportunities to participate as Ngāti Pāoa. This knowledge base feeds into our decision making as governance and guides the principles of tika, pono, me te aroha. Our tūpuna left a legacy, so think about what is your legacy for your tamariki, mokpuna, and future generations.

Finally, on behalf of the Ngāti Pāoa Iwi Trust I would like to present the 2023 Annual Report to our whānau, hapū, and iwi.

Hēoti anō, ngā manaakitanga o te wāhi ngaro Nāku noa nā

Herearoha Skipper Chair, Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust





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John Hutton - NPIT Chief Executive

Since February 2023 I have had the privilege of serving as Chief Executive Officer for the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust. From the outset, trustees have been clear with me that the trust is going through a phase of consolidation, looking for stability and clarity. Personally, I have appreciated the good working relationship we have formed, and the support I have from the governance table.

The CEO's report is an opportunity to reflect on challenges and successes, and to talk about what lies ahead.

On the financial front, I am happy to say that the trust has turned itself around after a lengthy period up to 2021 when expenditure exceeded income (the exception being back-to-back sales of early release properties, profits from which were later spent).

Presently the trust's revenue comes from a mixture of grants, including capacity funding from Auckland Council, some modest income streams in the RMA space, and contracts to deliver projects and services. An example of the latter is our contract with the Ministry for Education to provide the Me He Kuaka Reo o te Kāinga programme.

This means the trust's external relationships are vital, and I must acknowledge the Tāmaki Regeneration Company, AUT, Auckland Council (and its various CCOs) and the Thames-Coromandel, Hauraki, and Waikato district councils. Important relationships are also in place with central government departments, including Te Arawhiti, Ministry of Education, Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry for Housing and Urban Development, MBIE, Ministry for Primary Industries, and the Department of Conservation.

The commercial arm of the trust, Ngāti Paoa Group Investments Limited (NPGIL), has been largely inactive since 2021. NPGIL is however the shareholder in two entities: Pouarua Farm Limited Partnership and Marutūāhu Rōpū Limited Partnership. Both have seen increases to shareholder equity which have improved the bottom-line of the 'Ngāti Paoa Group'. It should be noted that the Ngāti Paoa shareholding in Pouarua has increased by 62% from \$15.625

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million in 2013, when the property was acquired from the Crown, to \$24.959 million in 2022.

At an operational level, significant changes have taken place in 2023, much of which was in progress before I came onboard. The trust now has affordable office space at Mauinaina (Panmure), shared with E Tipu E Rea Whānau Services. Professional book-keeping services with Visory are in place and working well. A Māori-owned accounting firm, Kākano Advisory, provides the trust accounting, tax and business advice.

The trust currently employs me as CEO and one other full-time staff member, Mereana Berger, as Kaiāwhina Mātua. Our other wonderful staff are employed as contractors, with roles tied to specific funding streams. I must acknowledge the good work done by all the team. The aim in 2024 is to increase staffing capacity, particularly in the RMA and education space, and also to manage planning and design work for the future papakāinga and marae at Omaru (Point England).

Importantly, none of the operational costs of the trust currently draw on Treaty settlement revenue or assets. The aim for 2024 is for the trust to continue to live within its means, while growing the number of externally-funded projects to deliver to Ngāti Paoa. An obvious risk in this approach is growing too fast and failing to deliver, with resulting reputation loss and difficulty in securing further contracts.

One matter of concern is outstanding legal debts due to litigation from the Ngāti Paoa Trust Board and participation in the Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei High Court litigation in early 2021. Clearing this debt needs to be a priority in 2024. Looking ahead, the most important thing strategically for the trust is to ensure the Ngāti Paoa Treaty settlement arrangements are progressed to settlement legislation. This includes the Ngāti Paoa Claims Settlement Bill, the Pare Hauraki Bill, and also determining what to do with the Marutūāhu Iwi Collective Redress Deed. Every month that passes without the benefit of the full suite of Treaty settlement assets is a month when Ngāti Paoa is not progressing financially as it should.

Other areas of focus are supporting good governance and decision-making by trustees, and to provide channels of communication and engagement with the wider Ngāti Paoa community. To progress the latter well, we need to increase the number of registered Ngāti Paoa with up-to-date contact details, and to hold regular hui and wānanga. Helping enable significant events, such as the recent He Rā Maumahara–Pūkorokoro 160 years, is also a priority, as is good communication and coordination with Ngāti Paoa marae.

Finally, I must point to the massive challenges ahead as Ngāti Paoa works to combat the invasive exotic seaweed Caulerpa. This requires significant central government investment and the trust will be working hard politically to secure that.

Mauriora

John Hutton CEO, Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust

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grow our team and rebuild. We will continue to advertise positions within the Iwi Trust and out in the community. All Ngāti Paoa descendants with the skills and experience are encouraged to apply for these roles.

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Ngāti Paoa Claims Settlement Bill progress

On Wednesday 21 June 2023 the Ngāti Paoa Claims Settlement Bill was read for the first time in Parliament. This was a significant step on the Treaty settlement journey for Ngāti Paoa. The journey has taken much longer, has been more fraught, and has been more work than anyone anticipated.

The parliamentary process has three key steps. The first reading is when support for a Bill is tested for the first time, with Parliament agreeing (or not) to send a Bill to a select committee for review. The select committee process is then undertaken, with the second reading taking place when the committee reports back to Parliament.

The third reading is when Parliament decides to pass a Bill into law (or not). There is one final step, which is for the Governor General to provide 'Royal Assent', after which the Bill becomes an Act. For Treaty Settlement legislation, there is also a period of two to three months before 'settlement date', which is when settlement assets transfer.

The Ngāti Paoa Claims Settlement Bill was supported by all political parties in Parliament. All members who spoke acknowledged the Ngāti Paoa negotiators Hauauru Rawiri and the late Morehu Wilson for their mahi. The hara suffered by Ngāti Paoa through colonisation was talked about, with the bombardment at Pūkorokoro by HMS Miranda being referred to by every speaker.



Ngāti Paoa attending First Reading in Wellington, 21 June 23

Ngāti Paoa lwi Trust was acknowledged as the governance entity for Ngāti Paoa.

Unfortunately, there was only budget for a modest contingent of Ngāti Paoa to attend the first reading, and we acknowledge those Ngāti Paoa who were able to make their own way to Wellington.

When the third reading takes place, the trust will organise buses and accommodation for a substantial contingent of Ngāti Paoa to attend, help celebrate the end of the legislative journey for Ngāti Paoa, and the beginning of our 'postsettlement' journey.

Māori Affairs Committee

Soon after the first reading in June, the Māori Affairs Committee called for submissions on the Ngāti Paoa Claims Settlement Bill. At the cut-off date of 4 August, around 340 submissions had been made. We would like to acknowledge the effort taken by so many Ngāti Paoa to submit.

The job the Māori Affairs Committee is to examine the Bill, assess whether it achieves its purpose, identify flaws in it, and recommend changes if required. The Committee then reports back to Parliament, which triggers the second reading.

By our informal count, around 74% of submissions unconditionally supported the Bill. Another 5% either supported the Bill with conditions or were unclear. A small handful opposed the Bill in its entirety, and around 20% raised concerns with the consolidation of the Waiheke Station into the Iwi Trust, but did not otherwise oppose it.

Later in August the Māori Affairs Committee heard oral submissions on the Bill from the Ngāti Paoa Trust and other Ngāti Paoa individuals. Since then the 2023 general election has slowed the work of the Committee. The next step is for Crown officials to provide a 'departmental report', which responds to matters brought up during the hearings process. The Committee will then deliberate on the Bill and, under the Committee's guidance, officials will draft a report. It is not known when this will happen, but we hope a second reading will be held in the first quarter of 2024, or soon afterwards.

Providing evidence to the Māori Affairs committee was a massive achievement for Ngāti Paoa in 2023, and has ensured solid progress has been made for the Bill through Parliament. Achieving a completed Treaty settlement is fundamental to the future wellbeing of Ngāti Paoa as an iwi and must be a priority for us.

Me He Kuaka Reo o te Kāinga

E ngā pītau whakarei o te waka o te reo Māori, ōtirā o te iwi o Ngāti Paoa, e pari atu ana te tai o mihi ki a koutou e noho mai nā i ō koutou kāinga, marae, tūrangawaewae hoki. Kia ora tātou.

As the NPIT inaugural te reo Māori programme comes to a conclusion for 2023, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate the first cohort of tauira who have successfully completed the Me He Kuaka Reo o te Kāinga programme, despite the huge challenges of juggling work and whānau commitments.

In February when the programme began, some ambitious goals were set with the overarching aim of empowering whānau through learning te reo and tikanga Māori. A range of options including rūmaki reo, full-time study for 10 weeks, 20 weeks online, a series of 5 face-to-face wānanga, tūtohu whenua, noho marae and wānanga to learn waiata were developed to give whānau the best possible chance of being able to participate in the programme. In doing so, our enrolment expectations were exceeded.

We have designed, developed and written a robust beginners level programme with supporting resources for kaiako and whānau that will be there for eternity! The flexibility to adapt the programme for different modes of delivery is also a useful feature.

Regular feedback from the whānau about the programme has been very positive and provided valuable insight into improvements that can be made to the programme for the future. An external review of the programme has also been positive and constructive and we look forward to continuing to offer the beginners level programme to Ngāti Paoa whānau in 2024 and

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beyond. We are also excited to be offering a level 2 programme next year.

Lastly, a big thank you to the many, many people who have contributed to the success of this programme throughout 2023. Kia kaha tātou ki te kōrero Māori i te ao, i te pō.

Mauriora

Drina Paratene



The first cohort of tauira & kaiako at Te Taua Moana o Aotearoa Marae on the Navey base in Te Hau Kapua, Devonport.



Hara mai tētahi āhua! The whānau couldn't help but conclude our waiata wānanga at our office in Mauinaina with a pūkana.

Pou rāhui, pou tikanga, pou oranga: reigniting the mauri of Tīkapa Moana and Te Moananui-ā-Toi

Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust is one of five iwi (including Ngāti Hei, Ngāti Tamaterā, Ngai Tai ki Tāmaki, and Ngāti Rēhua Ngātiwai ki Aotea) taking a leading role in the research project 'Pou rāhui, pou tikanga, pou oranga: reigniting the mauri of Tīkapa moana and Te Moananui-ā-Toi' (Pou Rāhui). The project has received multi-year funding from MBIE Endeavour Fund and is hosted by the University of Waikato. The purpose of the project is to promote pragmatic environmental restoration actions, including the use of rahui to manage taonga species. Ngāti Paoa has identified 'paua' as a species to restore in our moana space. The first phase of matauranga mapping has been conducted and we are now into the next phase of identifying the coordinates and checking whether these taonga species have survived decades of overfishing. Watch this space!

We were fortunate to be able to host the Pou Rāhui Taiohi from each of the iwi to participate in a wānanga at Piritahi Marae on Waiheke Island in September, which was presented by renowned whale tōhunga, Dr Ramari Stewart. The learning was intense over the four days, but thoroughly enjoyed by all those in attendance.

Exotic Caulerpa

It is unfortunate that, as we were starting the Pou Rāhui project, the invasive seaweed exotic *Caulerpa* was found in the waters at Waiheke Island. For Ngāti Paoa, this necessitated the Pou Rāhui role to pivot to meet the threat of this invasive species, and in turn establish an Action Plan to Eliminate Caulerpa from our shores.

Since August 2023 Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust have been working with Biosecurity NZ, Ministry of

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Primary Industries and Auckland Council to undertake trials to remove unwanted exotic Caulerpa. We have received permission for removal, along with permission to collect samples for educational purposes.

The trust is in the throes of finalising a contract with the Ministry of Primary Industries to conduct a 10–14-day trial. The trial will include suction removal, hand removal and the laying of biodegradable benthic mats. We acknowledge Bremworth Carpets for their work in developing and supplying the mats that will also be trialed.

We have also been able to secure space at the former Blackpool School as the Ngāti Paoa Head Quarters for the purposes of treating the exotic Caulerpa, once it has been removed from the water in preparation for disposal.

Considerable planning has taken place to ensure that all involved are kept safe and that we meet the conditions of the permissions given by Biosecurity NZ for removal.

In addition to this, we have been actively engaged in educational presentations and discussions within our local community to communicate the urgency of the situation and why taking immediate action is vital.



Pou Rāhui Taiohi Wānanga 11-14 Sept 2023 Hosted by Ngāti Pāoa at Piritahi Marae, Waiheke



Mauriora Blair Anderson Project Manager, Pou Rāhui



He Rā Maumahara: Pūkorokoro 160 years

On 3 November 2023, He Rā Maumahara was held to commemorate the 160th anniversary of the 1863 attack on Pūkorokoro by the warship HMS Miranda. An estimated 500 attended what was a very special day, both as a time of remembrance for Ngāti Paoa, and as a way to teach this history to tamariki at local schools and the wider community.

The Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust was pleased to be able to support the event's organising committee,

including to help secure funding from Te Pūtake o te Riri | Wars and Conflicts in New Zealand Fund. We acknowledge contributions made by the Hauraki District Council and the Thames-Coromandel District Council. A special thanks also to the Tāmaki Herenga Waka Trust, Ngā Purapura Watene Mauri o Te Roopu Kotahi Inc, Pūkorokoro-Miranda Naturalists' Trust, Hato Hone St John, and Fire and Emergency NZ. Ka nui te mihi!







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E Tipu e Rea Whānau Services

E Tipu e Rea Whānau Services is a health and social service provider with a particular focus on hapū māmā, young parents and their pēpi. We began a relationship with Ngāti Paoa lwi Trust in 2021 through an iwi health and social service accreditation process. The 2022-2023 period has seen the relationship deepen, with the sharing of office space in Mauinaina, and cementing plans to develop services specific to the uri of Paoa.

We invite Ngāti Paoa whānau to visit our office in Mauinaina, to see how our services might be able to support you and your tamariki.

Our services range from employment (including support for business development), education and training, and social care support (kai, housing advocacy, whānau violence prevention, financial entitlements advocacy, transport to appointments, and navigation of the health and social service sector, goal setting, and mental health support). Other services include midwifery, hapūtanga wānanga and tūpuna parenting, and early years support (Well Child, and Childhood Immunisations).

By commencing work in the Tāmaki Makaurau heartlands of Ngāti Paoa, our aim is to help raise the profile of Ngāti Paoa in the health and social services space. This includes attending hauora and social service community-related hui, networking with other health and social services, and undertaking whānau events such as the whānau hauora area at the Glen Innes Matariki event, the recent Vote for your Hauora whānau event, and a Ko Te Reo Te Hauora, Ko Te Hauora Te Reo whānau event for Wiki o te Reo. We are planning more whānau events for the 2024 year.

E Tipu e Rea has its own board made up of experts in the health and social service sector, including two Ngāti Paoa board members,



E Tipu E Rea Ngāti Paoa Whānau

Te Wai Unasa and Rangitahi Pompey. Together, our board and the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust have started to strategically discuss the possibility of becoming a subsidiary of the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust's official health and social service arm. We are excited about this prospect, and we look forward to developments 2024 will bring.

We are currently celebrating a milestone that half our kaimahi have whakapapa to Ngāti Paoa, and we encourage more Ngāti Paoa to apply for upcoming roles within our service. There are many opportunities to work supporting the health and well-being of Ngāti Paoa whānau, and we look forward to our continued growth in this area.

Many iwi provide health and social services, with some iwi across the motu following a pathway of developing their hauora services through an already established body. Ngāti Paoa as mana whenua in Tāmaki and Hauraki are in a good position, working with E Tipu e Rea, to address inequities and barriers experienced by whānau in the health and social service sector, and to design and deliver a range of health and social services that meet the needs of Ngāti Paoa whānau.

Mauriora

Zoe Witika-Hawke (Ngāti Paoa, Ngāti Hako) CEO, E Tipu e Rea Whānau Services

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Office at 15 Queens Road, Panmure

On 6 April the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust office at 15 Queens Road, Panmure, was formally opened with a Karakia Tūwhera by Ngāti Paoa tohunga. The building is owned by Auckland Council and is leased to us by Eke Panuku Development Auckland.

Having an office at Mauinaina, close to Maungarei and Mokoia Pā, has been a significant move for the trust, enhancing and strengthening our presence at our heartland in Tāmaki. It is also an affordable solution to provide workspace for our staff, and gives us a place for hui, and to run our free te reo Māori programme, Me He Kuaka Reo o te Kāinga.

We share the office with E Tipu E Rea Whānau Services, which helps strengthen our relationship together. Support from the Tāmaki Regeneration Company (TRC), who have offices nearby, is also acknowledged.



Litigation

Litigation by the Ngāti Paoa Trust Board (the Trust Board) persisted in 2023. However, at the time of writing, the Trust Board has lost all its significant legal challenges, and has otherwise withdrawn from almost all litigation in which the Iwi Trust has been involved. Notably, on 12 December 2022, the High Court rejected the Trust Board's challenge to the signing of the Ngāti Paoa deed of settlement. Then, on 31 July 2023, the Supreme Court declined to hear an appeal by the Trust Board against that decision. The Trust Board finally abandoned its appeal on 20 October 2023, which it had been entitled to pursue before the Court of Appeal.

We sincerely hope this is the end of the litigation strategy the Trust Board has taken since 2018. That strategy has come at great cost to the iwi, both financially and through a loss of time that should have been spent advancing the wellbeing of Ngāti Paoa.

The Iwi Trust is still carrying legal debt incurred from fighting the Trust Board, as well as debt from participating in the Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei litigation before the High Court in 2021. Payment of these debts will be a priority for the Iwi Trust in 2024.

Mokoia Pā – kõiwi reburial and park design

A reinterment ceremony was held at Mokoia Pā on 11 July, for kōiwi unearthed during the construction of the AMETI eastern busway bridge. This followed a resolution by Ngāti Hura, supported by the trust, that the kōiwi should be returned as close as possible to where they were found.

Design has been completed for a park that is to be constructed across the site. We wish to acknowledge the mahi of our Ngāti Paoa whānau, who have worked closely with Auckland Transport. When work on the park has been completed, and the park opened, ownership of the land will return to Ngāti Paoa, with the park being jointly managed with Auckland Council. It will be a special place, commemorating the history of Mokoia Pā, and events in 1821 that saw the loss of life of many Ngāti Paoa.

Custodian Trustee

The Ngāti Paoa lwi Trust has established a subsidiary named 'Te Whenua Taurikura o Ngāti Paoa Custodian Trustee Limited'. The purpose of the custodian trustee company is to hold title to whenua that the Trust does not wish to be treated as a commercial asset or otherwise sold. This is reflected in its name: to hold and protect whenua that is to be undisturbed and owned for the benefit of Ngāti Paoa.

Our trust deed anticipates and provides for the establishment of a custodian trustee.

Under the constitution of the company, two directors (and shareholders) are appointed by the Trust, but may not make any decisions unless directed to by the Trust. In other words, the Iwi Trust remains the decision-making body for the land, and the directors are required to implement those decisions.

Te Whenua Taurikura o Ngāti Paoa Custodian Trustee Limited was created at this stage to hold title to the properties transferring at Bridge Street, Panmure, and also for the future Mokoia reserve. When Treaty settlement legislation is enacted, and cultural redress properties are transferred to Ngāti Paoa, they too will go under the custodian trustee.

He Hui Rautaki – Strategic Planning Hui

On 15 October 2023 the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust hosted a strategic planning hui, He Hui Rautaki. The day was well attended and it was pleasing to see a number of Ngāti Paoa individuals who do not normally attend such hui. The focus of the day was to provide feedback on the draft Five Year Plan which the Trust had developed, and to help inform the strategic priorities of the Trust.

The Five Year Plan will be available on the Iwi Trust's website. It is a living document, to be updated at least every two years, and feeds into the annual plan trustees must approve. It is anticipated the Five Year Plan will be updated again when we have certainty on timeframes for the Ngāti Paoa Claims Settlement Bill and other key components of the Ngāti Paoa Treaty settlement package.

Ngāti Paoa Papakāinga and marae at Ōmaru

The Ngāti Paoa Treaty settlement provides an extraordinary opportunity for Ngāti Paoa to build a modern papakāinga and marae-based community in our Ngāti Paoa heartlands in Tāmaki. Under the settlement, a 2.0 hectare area will be returned for a marae complex (Paoa Whanake), and a further 2.0 hectares for a papakāinga (Hinenui-o-te-paua) . Both sites are near each other in the larger Omaru Reserve (currently Point England Reserve), which will also be returned to Ngāti Paoa ownership. Although Auckland Council will continue to administer the wider reserve, this will be done under a cogovernance and partnership type arrangement.

In 2023 engagement began with key government departments, such as Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry for Housing and Development and Kāinga Ora, to secure funding to progress planning for the future papakāinga and marae builds. Auckland Council will be an important part of the process, as will the Tāmaki Regeneration Company, who to date have provided valuable advice.



THE YEAR IN REVIEW

A priority for 2024 will be to progress this work and, with sufficient resources, to begin the design and planning journey through to resource consent. Much can be done before Treaty settlement legislation is passed to enable the building of a new Ngāti Paoa community on our own whenua as soon as possible.

Tāmaki Regeneration Company and Whānau Housing Opportunities

Tāmaki Regeneration Company (TRC) is leading a massive redevelopment of housing across Glen Innes, Point England, Tāmaki and Panmure. In 2023 the Iwi Trust further strengthened its relationship with TRC, including signing an 'Outcomes Agreement' for the Concord development, which is adjacent to the future Ngāti Paoa papakāinga at Omaru.

Under that agreement, TRC commits to helping Ngāti Paoa whānau households participate in their 'Home Ownership Readiness Programme' and 'Own It Programme'. A maximum of ten houses from their Shared Home Ownership programme have also been set aside for Ngāti Paoa whānau to acquire in Concord.

So if you are a whānau who is keen to move towards home ownership in Auckland, please get in touch with the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust, and we will ensure you are introduced to the right people at TRC. It is very likely houses in the Concord development will be completed before the Omaru papakāinga, meaning this is a good opportunity to get into housing on the ground.

Matariki

In 2023 the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust was happy to help advertise and where possible support three Matariki events. In Hauraki, the trustees of Makomako marae organised a special event, combining a marae hui with a Matariki celebration to strengthen the bonds of whanaungatanga.

In Tāmaki, Te Hautapu a Tāmaki was organised by Tāmaki Regeneration Company and Marist Brothers Old Boys Rugby Club, with support of the Iwi Trust. The Iwi Trust also joined with E Tipu E Rea, alongside many other entities, to promote Te Ara Rama Light Trail in Glen Innes.

AUT

The Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust has been building a relationship with Auckland University of Technology, with a focus on their North Shore campus. This relationship is likely to evolve at both a governance and a practical level. At present, opportunities are being developed for Ngāti Paoa art and design principles to be developed and incorporated into the campus' built environment and, we hope, work for Ngāti Paoa artists.

Ngā Pōito o te Kupenga: Iwi Business Database

Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust and the Ngāti Tamaterā Treaty Settlement Trust have teamed up to establish Ngā Pōito o te Kupenga, an iwi business database, to help create opportunities for Ngāti Paoa and Ngāti Tamaterā businesses in our communities. If you are a business owner and are interested in joining this venture, please get in touch by scanning the QR code below, and completing the form.



Public Art Projects

A number of public design and art projects have been supported by the lwi Trust in 2023. These include a project for Eastview Reserve in Glen Innes, master planning work with AUT, and supporting upcoming work on the Panmure Lagoon Edge Reserve and Maungarei Connection projects.

The Trust aims in 2024 to work with Ngāti Paoa artists and designers to build a register of Ngāti Paoa creatives, which can be provided to public and private organisations to help create work opportunities. We want Ngāti Paoa artists to flourish and, wherever possible, to leave their mark on the landscape and built environment all around us.

Pokai Wawahi Ika

Pōkai Wāwāhi Ika is a Treaty settlement cultural redress property at Otakawhe Bay on Waiheke Island that will transfer to Ngāti Paoa through settlement legislation. Other than its strategic location, and the existence of a historic pā site there, the site is important because of a building which for many years has functioned as a lodge. The Crown's commitment in the deed is for the building to be available to Ngāti Paoa to use and enjoy into the future.

Regrettably, since the property was identified to Ngāti Paoa as Treaty settlement redress, the Department of Conservation (DoC) has let the building fall into disrepair. The lwi Trust has been engaging with DoC and Te Arawhiti to ensure a full repair, or a replacement build of a new structure of a similar footprint, takes place before settlement legislation is enacted.

Ngāti Paoa Representation on Public Bodies

The Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust supports Ngāti Paoa individuals to act as representatives on various public bodies. Sometimes representation is specifically as Ngāti Paoa. Other times a position is held as a representative for tangata whenua, or for the Marutūāhu Rōpū. Current representatives include:

- Mihingarangi Forbes and Pita Turei, as Ngāti Paoa representative on the Auckland Museum Taumata-ā-Iwi
- Dean Ogilvie, as a tangata whenua representative on the Hauraki Gulf Forum
- Tania Tarawa, as a Marutūāhu Ropū representative on the Tūpuna Maunga Authority
- Fred Wilson, as a Marutūāhu Ropū nominee on the Auckland Conservation Board.
- Zoe Hawke, as Ngāti Paoa representative on Tāmaki Makaurau Mana Whenua Māori Health Authority

The Iwi Trust acknowledges the important work being undertaken by these Ngāti Paoa people to support environmental, public, and iwi outcomes.

In addition, in 2022 Kerrin Leoni was elected to Auckland Council as Councillor for the Whau Ward, being the first Māori woman to be elected to Auckland Council since it was established in 2009. Kerrin has also served as a trustee on the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust in 2022 and 2023.



REGISTRATIONS

IWI STATISTICS: REGISTRATION

Whakapuputia mai o manuka, kia kore ai e whati.

A focus of the lwi Trust has been resolving the frustrations with iwi registration felt by many for a number of years. In order for whānau to receive information directly from the board, and participate in important decision making processes (such as the election of trustees), an up-to-date living iwi database is essential.

To achieve this, a registration drive project was developed that address the disparity between NPIT registrations, census data, and what is known among whānau.

Several things are contributing to the success of the registration drive project. First, policies and practices are in place to secure and maintain database accuracy. The registration process has been documented and streamlined, with a small registration team employed to help whānau. The team consists of two Kaiāwhina, who have been actively engaged in processing registrations and updating the database since September.

Community engagement has been a focal point too. The team has participated in three community events to date. These include a E Tipu E Rea Whānau Day, He Hui Rautaki (an event focused on getting iwi input into the 5 year plan), and He Rā Maumahara - Pūkorokoro 160th.

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REGISTERED IWI MEMBERS

As of 20 November 2023, there are 2277 iwi members registered on the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust's database. This figure includes tamariki under 18 years old.

The registration team are in the process of actively engaging with whānau to confirm registration and contact details during these events. Phone lines have been installed, and soon an inbound 0800 number will be activated in order to provide more accessibility for whānau to make enquiries and register.

New appointments have been made to the lwi Trust's Validation Committee, who together with a long-standing member have been working hard to validate registrations.

The statistics provided here are from the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust registration database, and include tamariki of registered members who are under 18 and not yet eligible to vote. The database is held in Tiki-OS, a digital Māori-owned platform specifically designed to help iwi maintain their registrations and keep their iwi members up to date.

REGISTRATIONS

The difference between the number of eligible Ngāti Paoa members, and the number of voting papers issued in the recent trustee election, is due to outdated or missing personal information. Keeping your contact details correct and up to date is crucial.

1213

573 members eligible to vote had missing or outdated details and were unable to receive voting papers, although they could still make a special vote.

The 2023 Election was held by Election Services on behalf of NPIT. For more information go to www.electionservices.co.nz

413

VOTES RETURNED

431 out of 1213 voting papers were completed and returned, this being a return of 35.5%.

Keeping your contact details correct and up to date is crucial. To update your details, email registration@paoa.co.nz

40:60

TANE : WAHINE

40% of Registered Members are male, while 60% are female. 137

ELDERS OVER THE AGE OF 66

There are 137 Registered Members over th age of 66, of which 85 are kuia and 52 are koroua.

1786

REGISTERED MEMBERS OVER 18 YEARS

There are 1786 registered members who are eligible to vote in iwi elections, although 640 need updated contact or other information. 491

REGISTERED MEMBERS UNDER 18 YEARS

There are 491 registered tamariki & rangatahi. 52% are tane, and 48% wahine. This trend is in opposition to pakeke, who have 36% tane and 64% wahine.



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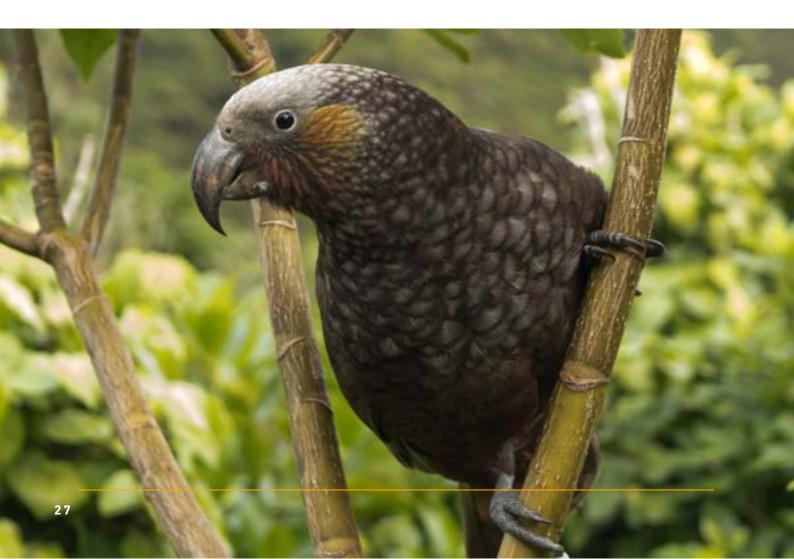
NPIT Financial Report for year ended 30 June 2023

Trust	Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust			
Trustees	Herearoha Skipper (Chair January 2023 - Present)			
	Tania Tarawa (Chair March 2022 - January 2023)			
	Mihingarangi Forbes			
	James Ratahi			
	Kerrin Leoni			
	Tui Tawera			
	Mystique Townsend			
Chair	Herearoha Skipper			
Solicitors	Kāhui Legal			
	Thorndon, Wellington			
Accountants	Kākano Advisory (division of McQueen & Associates Limited)			
	Parnell, Auckland			
Auditor	BVO Audit			
	Newmarket, Auckland			

Pūrongo Pūtea

Consolidated financial statements for financial years 2020, 2021 and 2022 have been completed and are available on the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust's website.

At the time of writing, these statements are unaudited and are with the trust's auditors (BVO Audit). When the audits are completed, they and final financial statements will be put on the website. Draft financial statements for NPIT and NPGIL have been prepared for the 2023 financial year and are summarised later below. Consolidated financial statements for the same year are incomplete, as we are awaiting financial information from separately administered entities. When consolidated financial statements for the 2023 financial year are complete they will be put on the Trust's website, with an audit being completed in 2024 as provided under the trust deed.



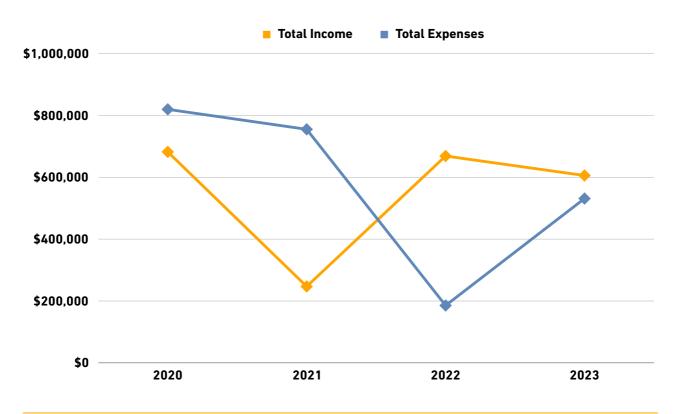
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Ngāti Paoa Group - Overview FY2020 to FY2023

As noted in the Annual Report for 2022, considerable difficulty was experienced by trustees in getting financial information from the trust's previous administration for the period up to the 2022 financial year. There have been other challenges building a complete picture of the 'Ngāti Paoa Group', which includes the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust, Ngāti Paoa Group Investments Limited (NPGIL), Ngāti Paoa Group Holdings Limited (NPGHL), and shareholding held by NPGIL in Pouarua Farm Limited Partnership and the Marutūāhu Rōpū Limited Partnership.

These difficulties have been largely overcome and a fair and true view of the financial affairs of the Group for this period can be given up to 2022. The Annual Report for 2022 provided an overview of the period 2014 to 2021, through which time the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust operated with an annual deficit. By the 2021 financial year these downward trends had resulted in the depletion of profits held by the Iwi Trust's commercial arm, including from the 'early release' Treaty settlement properties, which had been purchased from the Crown and immediately on-sold.

Since 2021 careful financial management has been exercised by trustees to clear debt and provide a modest operational surplus. This pattern is demonstrated in the 'Consolidated Group Income & Expenses 2020-2023' summary table below.



Graph 1: Consolidated Group Income & Expenses FY2020 - 2023

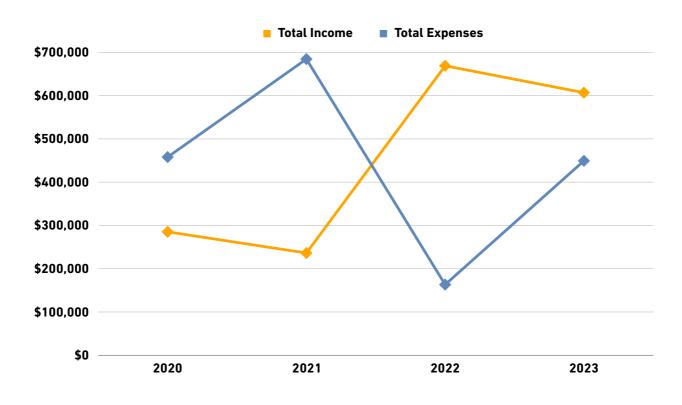
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Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust FY2020 - 2023

In 2020 and 2021 the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust ran a deficit, as was the pattern in prior years. In 2022 this turned around with the trust's income being higher than its expenses.

Although revenue remained relatively steady in 2023 the trust's expenses rose. This reflects two things. First, there was a lower level of activity by the trust in 2022 as trustees concentrated on addressing their financial position, while securing grant funding for a number of projects. Second, much of the funding secured in 2022 began to be expended in 2023 as projects were undertaken and as capacity was increased by employing staff, leasing office space, and retaining accounting and bookkeeping services.

This means the trust has lived within its means through the 2022 and 2023 financial years, and has not drawn on Treaty settlement assets or revenue held by the trust's commercial arm.



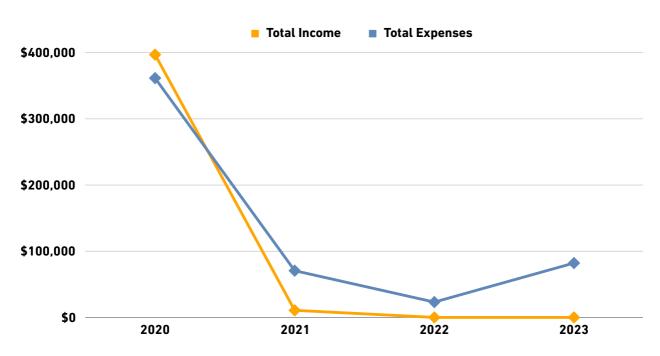
Graph 2: NPIT Income & Expenses FY2020 - 2023

Ngāti Paoa Group Investments Limited FY2020 - 2023

In the 2020 financial year Ngāti Paoa Group Investments Limited (NPGIL) operated with a modest surplus. From 2021 activity by NPGIL decreased, to its current state where it is largely inactive. (Graph 3: NPGIL Income & Expenses FY2020 - 2023)

The Ngāti Paoa lwi Trust has appointed two new directors to NPIT, Heta Hudson and Herearoha Skipper, who join the remaining director Brett Rhind in an interim capacity. The intention is to administer NPGIL in a caretaker fashion until there is clarity on timeframes for Treaty settlement legislation, at which time new directors will be advertised for and appointed.

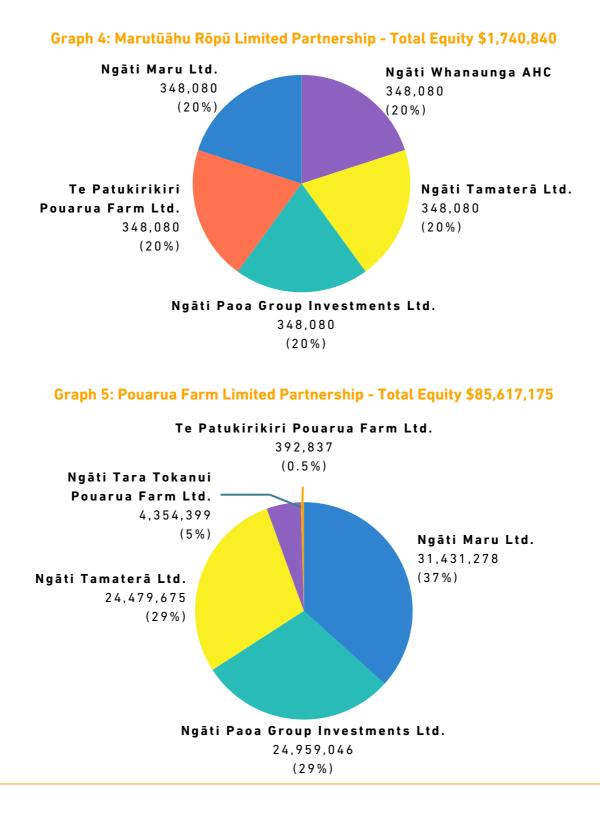
A second commercial entity exists, Ngāti Paoa Group Holdings Limited, but it is inactive and in the process of being disestablished.



Graph 3: NPGIL Income & Expenses FY2020 - 2023

Ngāti Paoa shareholding in Pouarua Farm LP and Marutūāhu Rōpū LP

Ngāti Paoa Group Investments Limited holds the Ngāti Paoa shareholding in two Limited Partnerships: Pouarua Farm Limited Partnership (29% share), and Marutūāhu Rōpū Limited Partnership (20% share). Shareholder equity at 30 June 2022 is summarised below.



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Ngāti Paoa shareholding in Pouarua Farm LP and Marutūāhu Rōpū LP (Continued)

Shareholder equity for the Pouarua Farm LP and Marutūāhu Rōpū LP is recorded in the Ngāti Paoa Group consolidated balance sheet and statement of profit and loss provided at pages 34-35 below.

It should be noted that shareholder equity in both entities has grown over the period 2020 to 2022, as summarised below. This has helped improve the overall balance-sheet for the Ngāti Paoa Group.

	3 Year Historic Average (%)			2022 Return (\$)		
	Net Return before Revaluation	Revaluation (Non-cash) Return	Total Return	Net Return before Revaluation	Revaluation (Non-cash) Return	Total Return
Marutūāhu RōpLP	42%	0%	42%	\$65,110	\$-	\$65,110
Pouarua Farm LP	3%	3%	6%	\$779,289	\$2,360,482	\$3,139,771
				\$844,399	\$2,360,482	\$3,204,880



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Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust - income and expenditure for FY2023

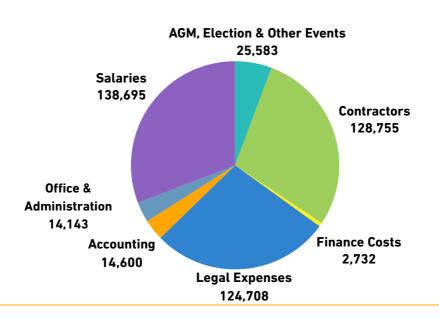
As noted, trustees have worked to ensure the Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust can be run without a deficit or drawing on Treaty settlement assets or revenue held by the trust's commercial arm.

Trust income for the 2023 financial year totalled approximately \$606,000. Trust expenditure for the same totalled approximately \$449,000. A breakdown of expenditure is provided below. Draft financial statements of the Trust's profit and loss for FY2023 need to be consolidated with the commercial arm and its shareholding interests, to provide a full picture for the Ngāti Paoa Group. This work is underway and a consolidated financial report for FY2023 will be put up on the Trust's website when completed.

Grant Funding - Other 214,822 Sales 54,998 Crown Recoveries 59,145 Sales RMA 36,855 Sales RMA 36,855 Grant Funding - Projects 240,000

Graph 6: Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust – FY2023 Total Income \$606K

Graph 7: Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust - FY2023 Total Expenses \$449K



Ngāti Paoa Consolidated Balance Sheet FY2020 - 2022

Ngati Paoa Group

Consolidated Balance Sheet

	30 June 2022	30 June 2021	30 June 2020
	\$	\$	\$
Equity	25,471,298	21,783,048	21,789,381
Represented by:			
Current Assets			
Cash at bank & short term investments	196,621	117,015	89,033
Accounts receivable	239,394	26,151	451,812
Prepayments	-	-	7,884
GST receivable	15,135	39,726	-
ncome tax receivable	254,603	112,817	22,871
	705,752	295,709	571,601
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant & equipment	3,149	4,750	4,735
nvestment in Marutuahu Ropu LP	348,080	283,260	416,192
nvestment in Pouarua Farm LP	24,959,046	21,955,787	21,396,263
	25,310,275	22,243,797	21,817,190
Total assets	26,016,027	22,539,506	22,388,791
Current Liabilities			
BNZ Facility	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	505,413	453,110
Accounts payable	376,729	251,044	107,148
ncome in advance	168,000	-	
GST payable			19,011
Provision for annual leave			34,828
	544,729	756,458	614,098
otal liabilities	544,729	756,458	614,098
Net assets	25,471,298	21,783,048	21,774,693

Ngāti Paoa Consolidated Statement of Profit & Loss FY2020 - 2022

Ngati Paoa Group

Consolidated Statement of Profit and Loss

	30 June 2022	30 June 2021	30 June 2020
	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	668,796	246,993	682,258
Expenses	(185,427)	(755,215)	(819,753)
Net operating profit/(loss) before tax	483,369	(508,222)	(137,496)
Share of Partnership Income/(Loss) from			
Marutuahu Ropu LP	65,110	(76,213)	325,641
Share of Partnership Income/(Loss) from			
Pouarua Farm LP	779,289	576,809	422,251
Prior period adjustments	853	7	121,845
Income tax expense			
Net surplus/(loss) after tax	1,327,768	(7,626)	732,241
Other Comprehensive Income			
Net gain/(loss) on asset revaluation -			
Pouarua Farm LP	2,360,482	15,981	10,704
Total comprehensive income for the year	3,688,249	8,355	742,945

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