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***Māori Responsiveness Framework
Supporting Attachment 1***

**2.1.2 Culture and Identity:
Draft Township Bilingual Signage**

NAU MAI KI / WELCOME TO

MARTON

TŪTAEPOPORONUI



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DISTRICT

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HUNTERVILLE

PARAEKARETU



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BULLS

TE ARA TAUMAIHI



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Supporting Attachment 2

2.1.4 Resources and infrastructure: State of the Environment

The following attachment relates to the outcomes of the Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and Ngāti Hauiti consultation for the Marton-Bulls (Tūtaeporoporonui - Te Ara Taumaihi), and Hunterville (Paraekaretu) Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) consents.

In giving their approval for the variations and/or short-term continuation of the existing consent conditions, both Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and Ngāti Hauiti have requested that a formalised relationship agreement be an outcome of the consultation; the level of such an agreement has yet to be determined.

Rangitīkei District Council Chief Executive, Mr McNeil has used the following letters to Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and Ngāti Hauiti to state Council's position, being that Council is happy to commit the necessary resources and staff time, as may be necessary to progress this initiative.



5 November 2018

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Tena koe Chris,

PROPOSED RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENT – NGATI APA AND RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Thank you for the time and energy you have given to engaging with our staff in recent months to address a range of project-specific matters, including the Marton, Bulls and Ratana Wastewater Treatment Plants and the Marton Water Treatment Plant.

It is critical to the success of Rangitikei District Council that we seek to build strong, positive and productive relationships with our Iwi partners. I thank you for continuing work with us to build such a relationship between Ngāti Apa and the Council.

The idea of developing a relationship agreement has been recently discussed. Such an agreement would provide a future-focused framework for collaboration between our respective organisations. I consider that such an agreement a positive initiative and one that would add significant value as we work together to achieve outcomes of mutual benefit.

The purpose of this letter is to extend a formal invitation to Ngāti Apa to enter into discussions with the Rangitikei District Council to develop such an agreement. I am more than happy to commit the necessary resources and staff time, including my own, as may be necessary to progress this initiative. At the same time, I am cognisant of the practical realities and significant demands on your time from current project work and other priorities. On that basis, please take this letter as our strong commitment to developing such an agreement when you are ready to do so.

As an option, and as you are aware, under recent amendments to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) there are provisions now available to develop Mana Whakahono ā Rohe: Iwi Participation Arrangements between Councils and Iwi. This is a new tool designed to assist tangata whenua and local authorities to discuss, agree and record how they will work together under the RMA. This includes agreeing how tangata whenua will be involved in decision making processes. We would be excited to jointly develop such an agreement with Ngāti Apa.

Should you wish to formally initiate the development of a Mana Whakahono ā Rohe, the Council is obligated to respond, start negotiations, and conclude the agreement within 18 months (unless the parties mutually agree otherwise).

I hasten to add, however, that a Mana Whakahono ā Rohe is just one option for formalising a relationship between our organisations. There are other similar mechanisms, such as a broader relationship agreement

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or a Memorandum of Understanding. We are open to exploring different approaches and to jointly confirming an approach that best achieves our collective aims.

Regardless of the form this agreement might take, some ideas we have for topics to include within the agreement are:

- Developing a monitoring framework for managing the integration of cultural monitoring in the various activities of Council;
- Agreed procedures for reporting and communicating to ensure we are continuously operating in a fully informed and “no surprises” basis; and,
- Commitments to shared projects, for example planting programmes at Simpsons Reserve and/or the Porewa and Tutaenui Streams, and/or other such projects to collectively improve our environment.

There will no doubt be other areas we can develop agreed positions on, and I look forward to these discussions. The overall message is that we are ready when you are. I look forward to working with you on this initiative and further strengthening relations between Council and Ngāti Apa.

Naku noa, na



Ross McNeil
Chief Executive



5 November 2018

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Tena koe Robert,

PROPOSED RELATIONSHIP AGREEMENT – NGATI HAUTI AND RANGITIKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Thank you for the time and energy you and your team have given to engaging with our staff in recent months to address a range of project-specific matters.

It is critical to the success of Rangitikei District Council that we seek to build strong, positive and productive relationships with our Iwi partners. As we have sought to achieve this, I acknowledge that we haven't always been consistent in this regard. However, over recent months my staff and I have greatly appreciated your openness and willingness to work together on finding solutions to the issues at hand.

I am advised that in a recent meeting with our staff, Ngāti Hauti suggested that we might consider developing a relationship agreement. Thank you for making this suggestion. Such an agreement would provide a future-focused framework for collaboration between our respective organisations. I consider that such an agreement a positive initiative and one that would add significant value as we work together to achieve outcomes of mutual benefit.

The purpose of this letter is to respond to that suggestion with a formal invitation to you to enter into discussions with the Rangitikei District Council to develop such an agreement. I am more than happy to commit the necessary resources and staff time, including my own, as may be necessary to progress this initiative.

As you are aware, under recent amendments to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), there are provisions now available to develop Mana Whakahono ā Rohe: Iwi Participation Arrangements between Councils and Iwi. This is a new tool designed to assist tangata whenua and local authorities to discuss, agree and record how they will work together under the RMA. This includes agreeing how tangata whenua will be involved in decision making processes. We would be excited to jointly develop such an agreement with Ngāti Hauti.

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Should you wish to formally initiate the development of a Mana Whakahono ā Rohe, the Council is obligated to respond, start negotiations, and conclude the agreement within 18 months (unless the parties mutually agree otherwise).

I hasten to add, however, that a Mana Whakahono ā Rohe is just one option for formalising the relationship between our organisations. There are other options, such as a broader relationship agreement and an expanded Memorandum of Understanding. We are open to exploring different approaches and to jointly confirming an approach that best achieves our collective aims.

Regardless of the form this agreement might take, some ideas we have for topics to include within the agreement are:

- Developing a monitoring framework for managing the integration of cultural monitoring in the various activities of Council;
- Agreed procedures for reporting and communicating to ensure we are continuously operating in a fully informed and “no surprises” basis; and,
- Commitments to shared projects, for example planting programmes on the Hautapu and Porewa Rivers, and/or other such projects to collectively improve our environment.

There will no doubt be many other areas we can develop agreed positions on, and I look forward to those discussions.

I am cognisant of the practical realities and significant demands on your time from current project work and other priorities. The overall message is that we are ready when you are. I look forward to working with you on this initiative and further strengthening relations between Council and Ngāti Hauti.

Naku noa, na



Ross McNeil
Chief Executive

