



WHAKAPAPAKĀINGA: A template for the cross-generational development of marae-communities

Information Sheet For Questionnaire Participants (NZ)

Tēnā koe and thank you for showing an interest in this project. Please read this information sheet carefully before deciding whether or not to participate. If you decide to participate, I thank you in advance. If you decide not to take part there will be no disadvantage to you and I thank you for considering my request.

Background

I am interested in Oromahoe and looking at development issues that concern us now and mokopuna yet to come. Oromahoe is one of over 760 marae communities in Aotearoa, New Zealand. The individualisation of Māori land and large-scale urban migration has affected marae, land and their people in some way or another. The vast majority (over 80 percent) of Māori live in towns and cities. For many living away, tribal connections, particularly with marae, have lost a great deal of meaning. In terms of land, trusts and incorporations now govern some of what remains of Māori or 'tribal' lands and resources. This brief background applies to the Oromahoe community – many descendants no longer live there, many have limited connection, but many also share a concern for its present and its future.

In the 1980s and 1990s, Freda Kawharu (nee Rankin) as an Oromahoe Trust member, undertook research into customary land tenure, whakapapa and interest succession in Oromahoe. Using this work as a foundation for my research, I am interested in exploring the notion of cross-generational development for the Oromahoe papakāinga. This study emerges also at a time when Māori families, marae communities as well as the wider New Zealand population face increasing energy, food and housing costs.

Project Aim and Description

A key question in this research is "What will the Oromahoe papakāinga look like in 100 years time?" Through questionnaires and interviews, this study will investigate the aspirations and/or concerns of the Oromahoe descendant community toward their/our papakāinga. I also aim to research sustainable development initiatives from around the country and abroad that align-with/respond to the aspirations and/or concerns of the Oromahoe descendant community. This project is being undertaken as part of the requirements for my (Paratene Hirini Tane's) doctoral study.

What Type of Participants are being sought?

The questionnaire is open to Oromahoe community members who have, or a married to someone with whakapapa connections to one or more ancestors of Oromahoe over 18 years of age.

What will Participants be Asked to Do?

Should you agree to take part in this project; you will be invited to take part in a short questionnaire of approximately 16 questions. Answers can be as brief or as long as

you would like. The questionnaire should take around 15 minutes; you may wish to spend a longer or shorter time.

What Data or Information will be Collected and What Use will be Made of it?

The purpose of the questionnaires is to gauge the aspirations of Oromahoe marae community members toward the development of the Oromahoe papakāinga, especially regarding housing, food and energy topics. The written responses will be used in my thesis that discusses prevailing opinions, trends and development priorities facing the community.

The data collected will be securely stored in such a way that only those mentioned below will be able to gain access to it. Data obtained as a result of the research will be retained for up to five years in secure storage, except where your consent is given to me to enable data to be held by me for longer for publication purposes.

Progress of the research will be reported back to those at the Oromahoe Trust's Annual General Meetings in 2016 and 2017 and include a written report provided to the Trust for inclusion in their annual reports (2016 and 2017). Progress may also include email or other communication (e.g. verbal reports face to face) where you indicate an interest to be kept in touch with research progress. Ultimately this research and its findings will be included in a completed thesis, which will be offered to the Oromahoe community.

Personal information, Anonymity or Disclosure

Minimal personal information is asked in the questionnaire including: your age range; connections to Oromahoe; or whether you reside in the Oromahoe: locally, nearby or further afield. These questions are primarily to gauge the make up participants connected to Oromahoe. It is absolutely up to you whether you answer these questions.

Can Participants Change their Mind and Withdraw from the Project?

You are entitled to make corrections to the information you have supplied and also withdraw from participation in the project at any time (up until February 2017 when writing will be in its final stages) and without any disadvantage to yourself of any kind.

What if Participants have any Questions?

If you have any questions about my research, either now or up until my thesis writing in early 2017, please feel free to contact either:-

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This study has been approved by the University of Otago Human Ethics Committee. If you have any concerns about the ethical conduct of the research you may contact the Committee through the Human Ethics Committee Administrator (ph +643 479 8256 or email gary.witte@otago.ac.nz). Any issues you raise will be treated in confidence and investigated and you will be informed of the outcome.