



Ngaati Whanaunga Mandate Strategy

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1.0 Preamble

- 1.1 What follows is a mandate strategy produced by Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society (NWIS) which seeks to be the mandated body to negotiate and settle all historical (raupatu, cultural, commercial) Treaty claims of Ngaati Whanaunga. This strategy seeks to achieve a durable mandate for NWIS to enter into formal settlement negotiations with the Crown.
- 1.2 The Crown endorses the mandate strategy set out below.
- 1.3 On 3 June 2009, cabinet agreed that Sir Douglas Graham present his settlement proposal (including quanta and cultural redress) to claimant groups in Taamaki, Kaipara and Hauraki. Sir Douglas subsequently met with claimant groups, including members of the NWIS on Wednesday 24 June 2009 at the Ellerslie Racecourse in Auckland. A copy of the report presented to the groups is attached to this document and marked "A".
- 1.4 On the 28th November 2009, NWIS officially informed Sir Douglas that we were willing to proceed with negotiations under the auspices of the proposal. For the avoidance of doubt, it should not be taken that NWIS accept the quanta and cultural redress as outlined in the proposal.

2.0 Background / Whakapapa of Ngaati Whanaunga

- 2.1 Ngaati Whanaunga descends from the original tangata whenua of pre-fleet people, of Kupe-Toi, Ngaa Oho and also from descendants of the Tainui waka. Ngaati Whanaunga descends from Marutuahu, Marutuahu married a Te Uri o Pou woman named Paremoehau, and from this union came Whanaunga among others, Whanaunga became a leader of the Marutuahu iwi and hapu following his father's death and is the eponymous ancestor of Ngaati Whanaunga.
- 2.2 Te Mateawa, Ngaati Karaua, Ngaati Kotinga, Ngaati Pakira, Ngaati Te Aute, Ngaati Ngaropapa, Ngaati Rangiachia, Ngaati Ramuri, Ngaati Tauaiwi, Te Rapupo, Ngaati Piri, Ngaati Hinerangi, Ngaati Ngaupokopoko, Ngaati Puku, Ngaati Matau, Ngaati Rangiuiira, Ngaati Koheru, Ngaati Wharo, Ngaati Hauauru, Ngaati Umuhau, among others are the hapu that NWIS represent.

Traditional Relationships

2.3 Ngaati Whanaunga have historical relationships with hapuu of neighbouring iwi such as:

- (a) Te Patukirikiri, Te Matekiwaho, Ngaati Hura, Te Urikaraka, Ngaati Kapu, Ngaati Taurua, Ngaati Rakura, Ngaati Putoa, Ngaati Hingawaka, Ngaati Te Umu, Ngaati Manawa, Ngaati Tuahuru, Ngaati Te Haupa, Ngaati Rauhea, Ngaati Paeahi, Ngaati Huruhuru, Ngaati Kahungeri, Ngaati Kaimarire, Ngaati Whataroa, Ngaati Ruarangi, Ngaati Te Wai, Ngaati Tahuna, Ngaati Omakau, Ngaati Naho, Ngaati Kauahi, Te Iwitaupou, Te Matekiwaho, Ngaati Horowhenua, Ngaati Tipa of Ngaati Paoa;
- (b) Ngaati Tawhaki, Ngaati Pinenga, Ngaati Mango, Ngaati Taireina, Ngaati Taiuru, Te Matewaru, Ngaati Taharua, Te Kiriwera, Ngaati Rangī, Ngaati Rangitaua, Ngaati Te Kiko, Te Uriwha, Ngaati Rongo, Te Patu, Ngaati Tangata, Ngaati Hura, Ngaati Tu, Ngaati Rangipuata, Ngaati Te Hihi, Ngaati Koroki, Te Mahurehure, Ngaati Pohutu, Ngaati Waipunarangi, Ngaati Manuiti, Ngaati Rakei, Te Iwitutu, Ngaati Te Roro, Te Mateatua, Ngaati Pukeko, Ngaati Pare of Ngaati Tamatera;
- (c) Ngaati Naunau, Ngaati Patu, Ngaati Ua, Ngaati Ahu, Te Matewaitai, Te Matewhakapapa, Ngaati Parematau, Ngaati Parakore, Ngaati Matewhiti, Ngaati Rangirangi, Ngaati Hikairo, Ngaati Tarakihi, Ngaati Whanga, Ngaati Pu, Ngaati Hinerangi, Ngaati Hineahi, Te Uringahu, Ngaati Hape, Ngaati Rongou, Ngaati Tumoana, Ngaati Wawenga, Ngaati Te Ahumua, Ngaati Te Kahu, Ngaati Whare, Ngaati Waihinu, Ngaati Parakore, Ngaati Tahae, Ngaati Ruahuri, Ngaati Mauopo, Ngaati Waikaukau, Ngaati Hinehau, Ngaati Pupu, Ngaati Wharo, Ngaati Hei, Ngaati Hauauru, Ngaati Te Aute, Ngaati Te Ngako, Ngaati Rautao of Ngaati Maru;
- (d) Ngaati Takaai, Ngaati Topetopea, Ngaati Turepe, Ngaati Hineao, Ngaati Koheru, Ngaati Raukatauri, Ngaati Topetopea, Ngaati Inu, Ngaati Koheru and Ngaati Hei;
- (e) Ngaati Hinemotu and Te Tawera, of Ngaati Pukenga
- (f) Te Waitaha, Ngaati Kea, Ngaati Hikoata, Ngaati Tihore, Te Whakatohea, Ngaati Paretake, Ngaati Tutea, Ngaati Hinewai, Ngaati Tamahana, Ngaati Korowhai, Ngaati Mahutoro, Ngaati Kaingahi, Ngaati Mahu, Ngaati Manuhiri, Ngaati Horowatea, Ngaati Kura, Ngamarama and Ngaati Te Hora, of Ngaati Hako
- (g) Ngaati Tumutumu, Ngaati Rahiri, Ngaati Kopirimau, Ngaati Kohamu, Ngaati Koi, Ngaati Tokanui, Ngaati Tara Ngaati Te Ruinga; Ngaati Mahanga

- (h) Te Whanau-a-Iritekura, Te Whanau-a-Ruataupare, Te Aitanga-a-Mate, Ngaati Hokopaura Te Aowera and Te Rakeiroa of Ngaati Porou,
- (i) Ngariki, Ngaati Reko, Ngaati Rewha, Te Aua, Te Uriika, Ngaati Kaiaua, Ngai Tai, Ngaati Tai, Ngaati Taimanawaiti, Ngaati Taihaua, Ngaati Te Raukohekohe, Ngaati Kohua, Te Urioteao, Ngaati Hinewai, Ngaati Tamaoho, Ngaati Te Atairehia, Ngaati Pou, Ngaati Koheriki, Ngaati Tarao, Ngariki, Ngaiwi, Ngaoho, Te Akitai, Ngaati Pare of Te Waiohua and Poutukeka;
- (j) Ngaati Kahu, Ngaati Poataniwha, Ngaati Manuhiri, Te Kawerau a Maki, Ngaati Rehua, Te Kapotai of Kawerau and Ngai Tahuu;
- (k) Te Uri Ngutu, Te Uri-o-Hau, Ngaati Rango, Ngaati Rongo, Ngaati Whatua Tuturu, Te Mangamata, Ngaati Mauku, Te Roroa, Te Taou and NgaaoHo of Ngaati Whatua;

2.4 All these hapuu like Ngaati Whanaunga can trace their genealogy back to Toi, Te Arawa and the Tainui waka people.

2.5 Ngaati Whanaunga has exclusive and shared interests in the Mahurangi-Kaipara, Tamaki Makaurau and Hauraki.

3.0 Claimant Definition

Claimant Community

3.1 Ngaati Whanaunga are defined as the collective group composed of persons:

- (a) who descend from the eponymous ancestor, Whanaunga and its constituent hapu, as referred to in 2.2;
- (b) to the extent that that whaanau, hapuu or group includes persons referred to above in clause 3.1(a);

3.2 For the purposes of clause 3.1(a) a person is descended from another person if the first person is descended from the other by:

- (a) Birth; (Whakapapa a toto)
- (b) Maaori customary adoption, atawhai, in accordance with Ngaati Whanaunga tikanga.

Area of Interest

- 3.3 The detail of the definition of Ngaati Whanaunga may be developed further over the course of the negotiations for inclusion in any Deed of Settlement that may be agreed between the parties.

A map of the rohe is **attached** and marked “**B**”. –

Ngaati Whanaunga acknowledges other overlapping iwi interests in this area.

Claims to be settled

- 3.4 Also included will be any historical Treaty claims of Ngaati Whanaunga which have not yet been registered with the Waitangi Tribunal, as well as any claims of individuals or whaanau (whether such claims are unregistered or registered with the Waitangi Tribunal).

Wai No	Claim Title	Claimant
174	Ngati Kotinga lands	Clive Majurey
346	Fairburn Purchase – no reserve	Tamahou Rawiri
373	Maramarua Central East Waikato raupatu	Toko Renata
346	Fairburn Purchase - East Wairoa raupatu	Tamahou Rawiri
754	Purangataua whanau of Ngaati Karaua	Purangataua whanau
806	Ngaati Karaua land blocks	Maraea Blomfield
809	Comprehensive rohe claim on behalf of Ngaati Whanaunga me on hapu	Toko Renata
811	Marutuahu iwi	William Peters
812	Marutuahu iwi	Clive Majurey
1696	Ngaati Whanaunga, Ngaati Maru, Ngaati Tamatera, Ngaati Paoa	James Ponui Nicholls
1807	Ngaati Whanaunga, Ngaati Maru, Ngaati Tamatera, Ngaati Paoa - South Auckland-Franklin-Papakura-Manukau confiscations, Native Land Court, no reserves - Central Auckland, Native	Tipa Compain

	Land Court, no reserves - Mahurangi-North Shore-Rodney, no reserves. Tikapa moana and nga motu, Native Land Court, no reserves	
1891	Ngaromaki Block Trust - Ngaati Whanaunga, Ngaati Maru, Ngaati Tamatera, Ngaati Paoa	James Ponui Nicholls

3.5 These claims may be refined through the course of negotiations.

4.0 Purpose of the mandate strategy

4.1 The goal of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society mandating strategy is to achieve a mandate that authorises the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society to enter into negotiations with the Crown, on behalf of Ngaati Whanaunga, regarding the settlement of Treaty claims in Mahurangi-Kaipara, Tamaki Makaurau and Hauraki.

The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will be undertaking mandate hui at the following venues and times as scheduled

DATE	TIME	VENUE
Sun, 27 th March	10am – 1pm	Te Kura Kaupapa Maaori o Nga Maungarongo. 140 Haverstock Rd, Sandringham, AUCKLAND.
Sun, 27 th March	5pm – 8pm	Waikato University, S Block Ground Floor - Room 3, Gate 1, Knighton Rd, HAMILTON
Mon, 28 th March	5pm – 8pm	Thames War Memorial Civic Centre 200 Mary Street THAMES.
Tue, 29 th March	5pm – 8pm	Coromandel Council Building, 355 Kapanga Rd, COROMANDEL.

- where the following 2 resolution will be put to the hui

Resolution 1:

“That Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society is the mandated body representing Ngaati Whanaunga in comprehensive negotiations to settle Ngaati Whanaunga historic treaty claim”

Resolution 2:

“That Rodney Renata and Tipa Compain are reconfirmed as negotiators for Ngaati Whanaunga in negotiations with the Crown regarding the comprehensive settlement of Ngaati Whanaunga historic treaty claims”

5.0 Background of the Proposed Mandate Structure

5.1 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society was formed on the 20th March 1992. A copy of the Society’s Rules is attached and marked “C”.

5.2 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society is Ngaati Whanaunga.

The current Executive Officers and active members of the Society are;

- (a) Rodney Renata (Chairperson);
- (b) Honey Renata (Secretary);
- (c) Dulcie Cooper (Treasurer);
- (d) Tipa Compain
- (e) Nathan Kennedy
- (f) Toko Renata
- (g) Haumarangai Conner
- (h) Ripeka Baker
- (i) Tukumana Renata
- (j) Mike Baker

5.3 At the hui-a-iwi held on 28th November 2009 at Manaia (school), the iwi resolved that Rodney Renata and Tipa Compain as descendants of Ngaati Whanaunga and active members of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society be the authorised Ngaati Whanaunga interim negotiators to begin treating with the Crown for Ngaati Whanaunga settlement to Mahurangi-Kaipara, Tamaki Makaurau and Hauraki. That interim mandate has been acknowledged by both Te Puni Kokiri and the Office Treaty Settlements.

6.0 Responsibilities and Accountabilities of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society

6.1 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society considers itself ultimately responsible and accountable to the Ngaati Whanaunga people as defined in the Societies rules. All negotiators appointed by Ngaati Whanaunga, will be responsible to the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society. Responsibilities and accountabilities of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will include *inter alia*:

- (a) The establishment of a process (**a plan inclusive of funding and milestones**) to enable;

- (b) The establishment of an administrative function to support the appointed Negotiators
- (c) The establishment of a negotiating team to support the Negotiators;
- (d) To engage and remove “expert advisors” contracted for the purposes of supporting the negotiators;
- (e) To constantly review the negotiating team and other advisors;
- (f) To report to the Ngaati Whanaunga people about the negotiation process at monthly hui a iwi;
- (g) The production of regular reports that show progress against agreed milestones
- (h) The production of regular financial accounts;
- (i) The inclusion within the plan of – the mandate strategy and Deed of Mandate (DOM), terms of negotiation (TON), the agreement in principle (AIP) and the Deed of Settlement (DOS);
- (j) The ability to approve and sign off on key negotiation milestones, including but not limited to – terms of negotiation (TON), the mandate strategy and Deed of Mandate (DOM);
- (k) The authority to present the initialled AIP and DOS for ratification from the Ngaati Whanaunga people at hui a iwi.
- (l) The implementation of a kawa / tikanga cultural framework

Meeting of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society

- 6.2 The Executive committee (active members) will meet on a regular basis. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society also has the authority to call special general meetings in accordance with its Rules, where required.

Reporting Process

- 6.3 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will report to the Ngaati Whanaunga community about the Treaty settlement negotiation and its progress, in a number of ways:
- (a) By annual general meetings; and,

(b) Monthly hui-a-iwi to be held at venues across the tribal rohe.

6.4 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will also inform its members by way of:

(a) Regular panui/newsletter;

(b) Website;

Decision making processes

6.5 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will seek to make decisions by way of consensus, failing that then by majority. In addition, the wider Ngaati Whanaunga community can participate in the decision making process by attending and providing input at the AGM held by Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society and at monthly hui-a-iwi. All decisions made by the Executive committee (active members) in relation to settlement negotiations will be made in accordance with the provisions of the Society's Rules and Ngaati Whanaunga tikanga.

Appointment and Replacement of Negotiators

6.6 Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will appoint or remove Negotiators in accordance with process agreed by the Incorporated Society, and agreed to by Ngaati Whanaunga members at a hui-a-iwi.

7.0 Accountabilities of the Negotiators

7.1 The appointed negotiators will have the mandate and scope of authority to manage all aspects of settlement negotiations with the Crown.

7.2 The appointed negotiators are responsible and accountable ultimately to the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society and will be required to report at least monthly to the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society at Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society meetings. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will provide directions and advice to the negotiators and the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will report to Ngaati Whanaunga on progress as set out in the Society's Rules.

7.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the negotiators are fully accountable to the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will provide direction, advice and terms of reference for the negotiators.

Reporting process for the negotiators

- 7.4 The Negotiators and the negotiating team will report to the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society on a monthly basis or as otherwise required. The negotiators will also present a progress report on Treaty settlement negotiations at each monthly Ngaati Whanaunga hui-a-iwi.
- 7.5 Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society may choose to conduct the holding of a hui a iwi to replace, remove and appoint negotiator(s) by way of resolution. Executive Officers, Executive (active members) of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will be replaced, removed and appointed in accordance with the Society rules.
- 7.6 If a dispute arises in relation to the replacements, removal or appointment of negotiator(s) the following process will be adopted by Ngaati Whanaunga:
- (a) The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society shall firstly attempt to resolve the matter “kanohi ki te kanohi” and in accordance with the tikanga of Ngaati Whanaunga;
 - (b) If the approach in (a) above does not resolve the dispute the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society shall suggest the appointment of a mediator to try and resolve the dispute;
 - (c) If the approach in (b) is not successful, the trustees shall refer the matter to the Ngaati Whanaunga monthly hui-a-iwi which will determine the dispute. The ruling, by resolution, at the Ngaati Whanaunga hui-a-iwi will be final and binding on the trustees.

Decision making process of the negotiators

- 7.7 Negotiators will make all decisions by consensus. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will also be required to approve all decisions made by the negotiators.

8.0 Dispute Resolution

- 8.1 All representatives will be required in good faith to take all reasonable steps to resolve any dispute internally that may arise in connection with the claims negotiations and settlement process.
- 8.2 Should a dispute of any kind arise and be in progress, the business of the negotiations settlement shall continue as usual - decisions shall remain in force until such time that the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society through a meeting, instruct otherwise.

Individual Dispute

- 8.3 Where there is an individual dispute, the individual must first seek to resolve the dispute with the other party concerned.
- 8.4 Should the individual be unable to resolve the dispute, the matter shall be forwarded to the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society who shall determine whether the dispute is valid. If so, the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society shall facilitate the dispute and seek resolution at an Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society hui.
- 8.5 Should the matter still not be resolved, either party may choose to put the matter in writing and elect to have it resolved by the Mandated representative body, or may seek external advice.

Collective Dispute

- 8.6 Where a dispute relates to a decision, rule or policy of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society, the dispute must be put in writing clearly identifying the nature of the dispute and the outcome sought. This must be referred to and discussed with the Executive (active members), who shall investigate. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society must determine if it is a valid dispute; if it is an individual or collective dispute.
- 8.7 Once confirmed as a collective dispute, the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society must raise the dispute at a Hui a Iwi where the dispute shall be discussed and actions to be taken are clearly identified. The discussion shall be minuted, and if necessary voted on.
- 8.8 The outcome of the dispute must be facilitated by the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society and upheld by all parties in relation to the dispute.

Dispute about the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society Mandate

- 8.9 If there is a dispute about the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society's mandate, the individual or group with the dispute will need to follow the process below.
- (a) The group must inform the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society in writing of the dispute or concern. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society would then consider the matter and seek further information as required from the individual/group to ensure it has a clear understanding of the nature of the concern.
- (b) Once the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society has received any further information requested, the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will consider the matter again and determine whether or not further action is required. If it is the latter the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will then meet with the individual/group and, if necessary, enter into a dispute resolution process.

8.10 If the matter cannot be resolved, both parties will agree on the appropriate process for resolution of the dispute

9.0 Information or Pre-Mandate Strategy/Hui/Communications

9.1 On the 13th - 14th November 2010 Ngaati Whanaunga met and resolved to undertake the following in preparation for the four mandate hui:

- (a) It was agreed to hold the four mandate hui at (as per the table in 4.2) .at a hui-a-iwi of Ngaati Whanaunga held at Manaia, on Feb 27th 2011
- (b) It was decided that the iwi will be advised of the mandating strategy/process at the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society meeting held on the 15th March 2011.
- (c) It was resolved that the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will undertake to inform as many members of Ngaati Whanaunga as possible of the Treaty settlement negotiations.
- (d) It was also agreed that media advertisements and other means of informing people would be undertaken as set out in paragraph 9.1.

9.2 It is intended that the mandate will give the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society the authority to negotiate and initial a draft Deed of Settlement before presentation to the Ngaati Whanaunga people for ratification.

9.3 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society understands that mandating processes involve a tripartite relationship to achieve a successful Deed of Mandate. In that regard, the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will undertake to work effectively with the Office of Treaty Settlements and Te Puni Kokiri in the delivery of a Ngaati Whanaunga Deed of Mandate and that these efforts will be reciprocated by the parties.

10.0 Mandating Process

10.1 The mandating hui will be notified to members through:

- (a) Paanui to known members of Ngaati Whanaunga;
- (b) Newspapers including, but not limited to, the New Zealand Herald, Waikato Times, and Hauraki Herald;
- (c) Paanui posted on Ngai Iwi FM

(d) Paanui posted on the Hauraki Collective and the Ngaati Whanaunga website;

10.2 Notification will be placed with each of these media in advance of each mandate hui as per the schedule described in paragraph 4.2. A copy of the paanui/advertisement is **attached** and marked “**D**”.

10.3 The public notice will clearly state the purpose of the hui. Specific mention will include reference to the need to obtain mandate for the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society to enter into negotiations with the Crown for the comprehensive settlement of their historical Treaty of Waitangi claims. The public notice will include the resolution to be voted on at the mandate hui as set out in paragraph 4.2 above. It will also include the contact details of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society to allow Ngaati Whanaunga people to seek further information about the mandating hui and the settlement negotiation process generally.

11.0 Mandating Hui

11.1 The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will be holding four publicly notified mandating hui. The Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will be seeking the mandate from Ngaati Whanaunga to enter into negotiations with the Crown regarding the comprehensive settlement of all Ngaati Whanaunga historical Treaty claims.

11.2 The following resolution will be put to the hui:

Resolution 1:

“That Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society is the mandated body representing Ngaati Whanaunga in comprehensive negotiations to settle Ngaati Whanaunga historic treaty claim”

Resolution 2:

“That Rodney Renata and Tipa Compain are reconfirmed as negotiators for Ngaati Whanaunga in negotiations with the Crown regarding the comprehensive settlement of Ngaati Whanaunga historic treaty claims”

11.3 The mandating hui will occur as set out in paragraph 4.2 above. The mandating hui will be advertised and minuted, including the keeping of a hui register. This supporting information will be attached to the Deed of Mandate.

(a) A Te Puni Kokiri representative will be invited to attend the hui in observation.

(b) A presentation will be developed for the hui outlining the context and details of the mandate process. Members will have the opportunity to discuss the proposal with the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society, and put any questions to members before a

resolution affirming the mandate of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society is sought. The presentation will be copied to the Crown for comment prior to the hui.

- (c) Voting on the resolution will be by a show of hands of eligible adult members of Ngaati Whanaunga present at the hui. For consistency and clarity, there will not be a postal voting process, nor will proxy votes be included. These voting processes will be explained by the facilitator of the hui, including clarity on those who are eligible to vote.
- (d) Eligible adult members of Ngaati Whanaunga means:
 - (i) A person 18 years or older at the time of the mandate hui; and
 - (ii) A person who is Ngaati Whanaunga as defined in paragraph 3.1 above.
- (e) If the eligibility of voters is challenged:
 - (i) the matter may be referred to the Hui facilitator;
 - (ii) where the dispute cannot be immediately resolved to the satisfaction of the parties, the ineligible party may submit a written request for a review of the decision to be put to the Executive (active members) of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society;
- (f) Although it is not necessary for voters to be registered prior to their attendance at the hui-a-iwi, the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society will make registration forms available at the mandate hui for members of the Ngaati Whanaunga Incorporated Society to complete. These forms will also be posted on the Ngaati Whanaunga website.

12.0 Timeframe

- 12.1 It is expected that the mandating hui will be carried out within the month of March 2011 as described in paragraph 4.2 and that a Deed of Mandate is expected to be submitted to the Crown no later than the 30th April 2011.