



PAPA POUNAMU – NZPI MĀORI SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

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Ko tātou reo
Ko tātou māramatanga
Koinei tō koutou rōpū
Ko Papa Pounamu



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He Kaupapa, He Mahi, He Kotahitanga

Working collectively on the Productivity Commission Report

The Government has asked the Productivity Commission to undertake an inquiry into the system of urban planning in New Zealand.

The main purpose of the inquiry is “to review New Zealand’s urban planning system and to identify, from first principles, the most appropriate system for allocating land use through the system to support desirable social, economic, environmental and cultural outcomes”

The inquiry has been asked to look beyond the current resource

management and planning system to consider fundamentally different ways of delivering urban planning. The aim of the inquiry is to set out what a high performing urban planning system.

On June 17 2016, a wānanga of Māori practitioners’ with expertise in built environment, was hosted at Te Noho Kotahitanga, Auckland Unitec, to discuss the Productivity Commission’s inquiry.

Approximately 40 members of Ngā Aho, Papa Pounamu, and the wider community participated in the wānanga, drawing on expertise from the fields of architecture, commercial design, engineering, landscape architecture, environmental kaitiakitanga, planning and resource management.

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TE KARERE

Ka Apiti Hono, Hei Tātai Hono



Papa Pounamu in Wellington

E rau rangatira o Te Whanganui-a-Tara, kia hiwa rā, kia hiwa rā!

Papa Pounamu will be holding a small luncheon in Wellington on 12 October 2016 to bring together planners, practitioners, and graduates who are Māori, or whose work involves the consideration of Maori values and perspectives in resource management processes, to build a network and community of professionals who will support each other and the kaupapa promoted by Papa Pounamu.

Please register your interest with Jade Wikaira at jade.wikaira@boffamiskell.co.nz to receive further information on the event.

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An initial report was prepared by Ngā Aho and Papa Pounamu as a result of the workshop to support the intent of the inquiry by the Productivity Commission. The report provided background information on Māori concepts in urban planning, an overview of recent developments in Māori planning and design, and collective feedback from the wānanga which ultimately informed the 'Better Urban Planning' draft report notified 19 August 2016.

The draft "Better Urban Planning Report" identified the following key areas of change:

- Clearer set of distinctions between the built and natural environment
- Greater prioritisation
- More responsive infrastructure provision
- A more restrained approach to land use regulation
- Stronger capabilities within councils and central government.

The report would go on to recommend that a Future Planning Framework should provide for:

- A presumption that favours development in urban areas, subject to clear limits
- A clearer set and hierarchy of priorities for the natural environment
- More and more robust, environmental management tools
- Infrastructure pricing and funding that more accurately reflects actual costs, use and impacts
- Rezoning and regulatory change that adapts more rapidly to circumstances
- A focus on those directly affected by change, not third parties;
- A different role for the environment court
- More representative, less rigid consultation
- Continued recognition and protection of Maori interests
- Spatial planning as a core, and fully integrated, component.

In acknowledgement of the network of expertise within each group, Ngā Aho and Papa Pounamu will continue the unified approach on the investigation undertaken by the Productivity Commission with the preparation of a joint submission on the draft "Better Urban Planning Report". The submission will seek to ensure that New Zealand's urban areas reflect Māori interests and values, will solutions suggested to enable any future urban planning process (es) will accord appropriate recognition of Māori interests and values should be managed through urban planning.

Upon completion, the joint submission will be available on request. Please request from Reg Proffit – Chair for Papa Pounamu reginald.proffit@gdc.govt.nz

TE KARERE

Mauri Tū; Mauri Ora



PhD

Scholarship Opportunity

Papa Pounamu wish to encourage Māori practitioners with graduate degrees to consider making an application for this PhD opportunity.

The focus of the study is Governance, Coastal Hazard Risk and Resilience, with the intent to critically analyse the

interconnections between risk, resilience and sustainability with a focus on institutional barriers and enablers for translating scientific knowledge and policy provisions into practical reality.

The study will contribute to the National Science Challenge: Resilience to Nature's Challenge (NSC: RNC) (see <http://resiliencechallenge.nz/>).

He Iwi Kotahi Tātou

Upcoming Events

The Papa Pounamu Tamaki branch is organising two events in Auckland this November. The first event is creating an opportunity for our registered Pacifica members (and non-members) to get

together and develop ideas about how Papa Pounamu could work towards supporting existing methods that shape the future for Pasifika planning and resource management practice in New Zealand.

The second event in November will provide a forum for networking and the application of Māori perspectives and values in resource management processes and practices.

Please email James Whetu to register your interest in the Pacifica Planners event james@whetugroup.co.nz, and email Jacky Bartley to register your interest for the second event jacky.bartley@opus.co.nz.