

# Murihiku Regeneration Office Arrangements

## for Communication Purposes

This document sets out the Murihiku Regeneration office arrangements that have been put in place to support its purpose, responsibilities, and objectives. Office tenure is also outlined.

### Context

Murihiku Regeneration is a long-term intergenerational programme of work, responding to the issues around the transition from the existing Tiwai Aluminium Smelter in 2024 to identify and implement opportunities to support successive generations.

It is underpinned by the crown-iwi partnership acknowledged in the Treaty of Waitangi and operates at a mana-to-mana level to work on regional level issues.

The voice and aspirations of whānau are central to the work of Murihiku Regeneration. Through Papatipu Rūnanga engagement and reference group feedback alongside active engagement with Ngāi Tahu hapū ki Murihiku, Murihiku Regeneration works to integrate shared and Rūnanga specific priorities.

### Purpose of Murihiku Regeneration

Murihiku Regeneration operates based on sound and effective practice and is focussed on delivering outcomes for successive generations and to the benefit of all Ngāi Tahu ki Murihiku and the wider community.

Multiple workstreams are aligned in the national interest, while ensuring that the Iwi and Hapū voice, along with that of the wider community, is built into an effective partnership for regeneration across our four pou: social, cultural, economic and the environment.

### Vision

Developed at Te Rau Aroha Marae in September 2020 and confirmed by the Chairs establishment group in October 2020, the overarching vision for Murihiku Regeneration is:

*Tū tahi ki te Kei*

Let's all stand together in the stern of our waka

*Murihiku Tītī a Kai, Tītī a Manawa*

Murihiku, a land of resource, a people steadfast

*Tauarutia ka aho ratarata*

Follow our Southern Lights

## Roles and Responsibilities

In our Ngāi Tahu histories, when Hapū faces disarray, then effective advice and leadership is guided by the Upoko, who are mandated heads of the Hapū. Murihiku Regeneration is founded in that practice. It includes:

- An Upoko Group, which engages in the national interest, works at a regional level, and on major issues and opportunities.
- Ensuring the crown-iwi partnership is reinvigorated and operates at a mana-to-mana level.
- An oversight group, which reports back and informs respective Rūnanga on issues, opportunities, actions, and identifies projects and people should be connected to the Kaupapa.
- Connection to Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu through respective Upoko, Chairs and Representatives.
- A programme-based delivery group that enables Hapū, Rūnanga to engage and participate in strategic dialogue to progress priorities, initiatives, and projects.
- Ensuring a collaborative and inclusive community-facing approach is used around regeneration opportunities and providing Pānui and progress to all Murihiku Hapū.
- Disciplined and transparent, ensuring funders and partners can have confidence in benefits, outcomes and delivery.

## Objectives

Murihiku Regeneration has the following objectives:

- To drive an inclusive, locally led, and system-level approach to regeneration and transition planning.
- To work together to unblock barriers and constraints.
- To be action-orientated and represent the interests of future generations now.
- To be the point for strategic dialogue and debate on barriers and implications for transition planning.
- To take projects and priorities identified by Hapū and Rūnanga and actively champion them.
- To listen to the voice of Hapū, and ensure that their rights and interests are being supported.

## Priority Workstreams

Seven Priority Areas have been developed:

1. **Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities** - focused on collective Rūnanga cohesion, strengthening internal and external partnerships and governance/ building leadership / developing youth and rangatahi participation.
2. **Tiwai Future** - includes closure, clean-up, remediation, environmental impact, cultural and leading to future/re-purposing opportunities. This is led by Awarua Rūnaka.
3. **Te Ara Aukati Kore** - creating sustainable future pathways for our successive generations through learning, work, and growth.
4. **Enabling a Just Transition** – supporting a pathway to a post Rio Tinto future for the region that also supports the national interest. Working with MBIE, Regional MSD Team, the community, local government, business and unions.

5. **Initiating and supporting sustainable regional regeneration action plan** – across the four pou that delivers to the Murihiku vision and supports a long-term strategy.
6. **Focusing on key initial projects and Pou** - to build trust and confidence and create momentum.
7. **Green energy** - Ngāi Tahu ki Murihiku at the centre of large-scale clean energy capability that protects te taiao and supports growth and well being for our region and country. This is led by Hokonui Rūnanga.

## Memberships

Murihiku Regeneration has the following memberships:

- Upoko Group
- Oversight Group – two appointed representatives from each of the four Rūnanga
- Murihiku Chairs and Representatives Group - made up of Chairs, representatives, and alternatives
- Programme Delivery Office
- Government Just Transitions Enduring Oversight Group
- Government Just Transitions Workstream Delivery
- Wellington - Murihiku CEs Group

## Murihiku Leadership

Ngā Upoko o Murihiku – Ta Tipene O'Regan and Michael Skerrett.

Ta Tipene O'Regan is currently the lead for Murihiku Regeneration. Upoko are supported by Michael Stevens.

The Programme Director, Terry Nicholas is appointed by the Murihiku Upoko and is a member of the Office of Upoko.

Rūnanga Chairs appoint their oversight group representatives.

The tenure of this work is out to at least March 2025, but is tied to the reset of Murihiku/Southland.

## Confidentiality

The parties will, subject to statutory and commercial obligations (where applicable), keep all confidential information confidential. Information will be identified as being confidential within agendas, meeting papers and/or at nominated meetings.

## Tenure

Murihiku Regeneration is operating to support the transition planning for the Tiwai closure out to December 2024. It currently has seven key priorities and a focus to ensure there is a cohesive transition