



TO: THE PANEL CONVENOR, HELEN ATKINS

RE: POUND ROAD INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (FTAA-2505-1057)
WRITTEN RESPONSE TO MINUTE 1
CONVENOR'S CONFERENCE

DATE: 5 SEPTEMBER 2025

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INTRODUCTION

Ngāi Tūāhuriri is a principal hapū of Ngāi Tahu, acknowledged in Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu Act 1996 and the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998 (Settlement Act). The takiwā of the hapū is centred at Tuahiwi, and extends from Hurunui to Hakatere, sharing an interest with Arowhenua Rūnanga northwards to Rakaia, and thence inland to the Main Divide. Within this area, Ngāi Tūāhuriri has maintained noho tūturu (ahi kā), meaning the tribe's 'fires' have been kept burning and that they actively exercise rangatiratanga.

Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga has mandated Whitiora Centre Limited (Whitiora) to provide advice and act on its behalf in respect of environmental policy, planning and strategy matters. This includes representation on proposals being processed under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024.

BACKGROUND

Whitiora confirms that it reviewed the Pound Road Industrial Development application prior to its lodgement and provided feedback to the applicant.

That feedback was subsequently incorporated into the proposal.

MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF PANEL MEMBERS

Whitiora notes:

- the application site is not subject to any cultural overlays and does not contain values of high cultural significance;
- an assessment of issues related to tikanga is not required, provided the conditions outlined in *Matters relevant to the panel decision* are adhered to; and
- there is no requirement for the protection of sensitive information.



Accordingly, Whitiora does not consider it necessary for Panel members to have specific cultural knowledge or expertise beyond what is required to ensure adherence to the conditions outlined in *Matters relevant to the panel decision*.

MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE PANEL DECISION

From a cultural perspective, the proposed land development does not involve any complex or unusual aspects.

Whitiora expects the development to be undertaken in accordance with best practice, with compliance enforced through conditions of consent.

To address the environmental priorities and interests of Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga, conditions should:

- require best practice erosion and sediment control during earthworks;
- require best practice dust management measures during earthworks;
- include an Accidental Discovery Protocol;
- require implementation of lizard, fish, and bird management plans;
- ensure planting between the water race and future development, as proposed in the application; and
- require best practice stormwater management methods.

ATTENDANCE AT THE CONVENOR'S CONFERENCE

Whitiora does not intend to attend the Convenor's conference.

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