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1. Pūaha te Rangi hapū representative candidates (four candidates standing for one position)

ADDISON Paul

Ki ōku whanaunga o Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, tēnā koutou katoa!

I am the son of Reg Addison, grandson of Sarah Mahuika, and great-grandson of Hone Te Āhuru Mahuika and Hinepare Bannister. I grew up in Nelson, completed a PhD in chemical engineering at the University of Canterbury, and spent three years as a research scientist in England, before returning to lecture at the University of Otago. After 11 years in that role, I transitioned to architecture as a career combining both technical and artistic elements, and completed a Bachelor of Architecture at Victoria University of Wellington.

Since 2010, I have worked at Design Tribe Architects in Auckland, a leading kaupapa Māori architecture firm, and have been privileged to contribute to significant projects such as Te Whare Wānanga o Awanuiārangi's Whakatāne campus, the redevelopment of Te Puia Māori Arts and Crafts Institute in Rotorua, the new Southland Museum in Invercargill currently in construction, and marae projects across Aotearoa. I was secretary of Ngā Aho, the national network of Māori design professionals, from 2012 to 2020.

Active in the affairs of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, I have previously served on the marae development and whakapapa sub-committees, and am currently a member of the cultural sub-committee.

If elected as a trustee, I pledge to work for the benefit of all members of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, using the analytical and creative skills honed over my careers.

Thank you for your consideration. Mauri ora ki te kaupapa!



KINGI Ngaire

E mihi atu ahau i raro te Korowai Whakapapa o Puaha te Rangi.

Hoani Mahuika
Emere Tuturu Mahuika
Raumaraeroa Kingi
David Kingi
Ngaire Kingi

Born in Wairau, the 3rd of 4 siblings to Ngaio Stafford and David Kingi.

I have six Tamariki and eleven precious Mokopuna.

I am seeking election to further my involvement with N.A.K.T.R.T to bring my experience and passion to the Board.

Over the last 20 years, I've been an active member, attending the Claims hearings in 2003 and participating in many Hui and Wananga over the years. In 2022 I served as a subcommittee member for the Whakapapa komiti, helping collate whanau names and connections.

Currently I work for Ngati Kuia and have had several roles in the past 8 years. I am based in the Wairau Tari as the "Kaiwhakaora Whānau", supporting whanau wellbeing and strengthening whakawhanaungatanga as well as Kai tautoko for Te Hora Marae.

I am passionate about Rongoa Maori, Hauora Maori and protecting Tai Ao through a Ngati Apa lens and my focus will be building capacity of our Iwi and enabling pathways for our collective future.

"Ma te Huruhuru, ka rere te manu"

This whakatauki encourages us to implement our shared responsibility in nurturing and empowering others, so they can soar to their full potential.



COLLIER-ROBINSON Levi

E aku nui, e aku rahi, nei rā te mihi matakuikui a tēnei uri tākereke mai a Matanohinohi ki a tātou, te puninga nā Apa-hāpai-taketake. Ko tāku nei, he tono kia Māori ake ngā mahi a te pae whakahaere o tō tātou iwi.

My involvement with Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō and Puaha te Rangi begins with the mahi that my nana June Robinson had done. I participated in early whakapapa wānanga in Kawatiri with our hapū.

I am a proud recipient of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō education grants which led to a Bachelors and Masters degree in biological sciences and publications on embedding Māori principles within scientific research of our taonga species. As a member of our taiao subcommittee since 2021, I continuously seek opportunities to use my learnings to improve the mahi that we do in this space as Ngāti Apa. I am currently based out of Christchurch working in te reo Māori revitalisation in Te Wai Pounamu.

I believe my skillset and experience is well placed to complement our current board and support the execution of a refreshed iwi strategy. My primary goal is to ensure that all of our endeavours enhance our mana, rangatiratanga and mātauranga without compromising the inheritance for future generations.



MAHUIKA Irihāpeti

Irihāpeti Mahuika (Kāi Tahu, Kāti Māhaki ki Te Tai Poutini, Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō) is a proven leader with deep experience in governance, strategy, and kaupapa Māori development. As Chief Executive Officer, she has led complex organisations through transformation, always centring whānau, equity, and indigenous values.

Over the past five years, Irihāpeti has worked tirelessly to implement the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Education Strategy, advancing outcomes in cultural identity, te reo Māori, and educational equity for whānau. Her leadership and governance has also been pivotal in developing and delivering initiatives such as *Tūhono Taonga*, *Tūhono Tangata*, which is a Kaupapa which works to connect whānau to mātauranga Māori through the art of carving.

She is the co-chair Collaborative Aotearoa Charitable Trust board and also serves on the Executive Board of General Practice New Zealand, contributing to national health strategy and policy. Her recent nomination to represent Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō on *Te Kāhui Hauora*, the Iwi Māori Partnership Board for Te Taihū, reflects her standing as a trusted advocate for iwi aspirations in hauora and system design.

Irihāpeti brings a strong track record of integrity, strategic thinking, and commitment to kotahitanga. Her nomination is grounded in a desire to serve her iwi with vision, accountability, and a deep belief in the transformative power of whakapapa-led governance.



2. Tarakaipa hapū representatives candidates (four candidates standing for two positions)

AKUHATA Nicole

Kia kotahi te pātuki o te manawa

Kia kotahi nei te reo o Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō

Kei aku huānga, tēnā koutou katoa.

Over the past three years, I have had the privilege of serving as a trustee for Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, and more recently, to hold the role of Chairperson, elected by my fellow trustees. It has been an honour to represent our iwi during a period of challenge and change. I believe it is time to focus our energies forward—to proactively set our own direction for the iwi, driven by the aspirations of our whānau and hapū.

A new phase is underway. With the recent appointment of a General Manager and the development of a refreshed iwi strategy, I am excited by the momentum building. I am committed to ensuring this mahi remains grounded in our tikanga, informed by the voices of our people, and guided by a clear vision for intergenerational wellbeing.

I am a mokopuna of Oswald Te Āhuru Huntley and Dorreen Timms and daughter of David Huntley. I have four sons and raise them here in Te Taihū with my husband Pete. Professionally, I'm the Director of Māori and Learner Success at Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology (NMIT)



GAPPER Clinton

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Ko Clinton Gap per toku ingoa.

I've had the honour and privilege of serving as a trustee on our board for the past six years, including a term as deputy chair. This role has never been just a title for me—it has been a responsibility I carry with pride, always guided by a deep commitment to our people, our whenua, and our shared future.

Throughout my time on the board, I have worked with a strong sense of purpose: to uphold the aspirations of our whānau and ensure that the decisions we make today lay the groundwork for a better tomorrow. Whether through navigating change, supporting succession within our governance and operational teams, or responding to the diverse challenges facing our iwi, I've remained focused on outcomes that reflect our values and strengthen our collective wellbeing.

We've made progress on important kaupapa, and I'm proud of the steps we've taken together to support the cultural, social, and economic advancement of our iwi. But there is more to do—and that's why I'm seeking re-election.

I stand again to continue advocating for our people with integrity and accountability. I believe in inclusive leadership, clear communication, and the importance of listening to all voices within our hapū and iwi. Our strength lies in unity, and I'm committed to continuing the mahi that fosters collaboration, connection, and long-term impact.

Ruia te kākano, kia puāwai tātou

Sow the seeds of unity, so we may blossom together

Nga manaakitanga,

Clinton Gapper



HART Selah

Selah Hart is a recognised leader in Hauora Māori with a strong record in strategic transformation, equity, and workforce development. As the inaugural Deputy Chief Executive at Te Aka Whai Ora and now the interim National Director Hauora Māori at Health NZ | Te Whatu Ora, she leads a national team focused on improving outcomes for whānau, hapū, iwi, and hapori Māori.

Selah's leadership reflects Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō in their focus areas of Te Whakahaumanu Ahurea, Pito Mata, Tūhononga, and Whakahaerenga—revitalising culture, unlocking potential, strengthening connection, and stewarding growth. Her work in commissioning and public health innovation has uplifted Hauora Māori services and created lasting impact.

She is a skilled communicator and collaborator, known for building trust across sectors and leading inclusive, equity-focused change.

Selah's motivation for seeking this role is deeply rooted in whakapapa and a desire to give back to her iwi and whenua. Her values align with the stated Moemoeā—*Kia tū pakari ai te whare o Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō*—a vision for a strong, vibrant iwi that exercises rangatiratanga and serves both present and future generations through excellence.

With this said, Selah is well-positioned to contribute meaningfully to the governance and future success of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō. 15 years on from settlement, Selah sees this as the right time to bring her skills to the table, supporting the underpinning aspiration “whāia te iti kahurangi - the continuous pursuit of excellence”.



PARISH Sue

Tēnā koutou katoa,

After much kōrero with my whānau I have decided to put my name forward as a candidate for this year's Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Trustee elections.

I was born in the Wairau and currently live here with my husband and four tamariki.

I whakapapa to Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō through my maternal side, grandfather, Rewi Maniapoto MacDonald. I am grateful to be surrounded by my aunts, uncles and mother Liz who I regularly attend Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō hui, wānanga, blessings and other events with.

Over the last several years I have been privileged to apart of the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Rangatahi space with my tamariki attending several Mana Rangatahi wānanga, filling my kete with mātauranga and sharing experiences that enrich the lives of our rangatahi. I believe we must provide our mokopuna with a foundation that allows them to flourish and be confident in their cultural identity.

My mahi is in Social Services (Oranaga Tamariki) prevention space, supporting our whānau with early engagement and intervention and providing them with tools to thrive to their full potential.

I am excited for the many projects and opportunities our Iwi have ahead and will contribute the best I can to the advancement of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō, also living in the Wairau I can tautoko kaupapa and continue to advocate for our whānau.

Nāku noa,

Sue Parish

