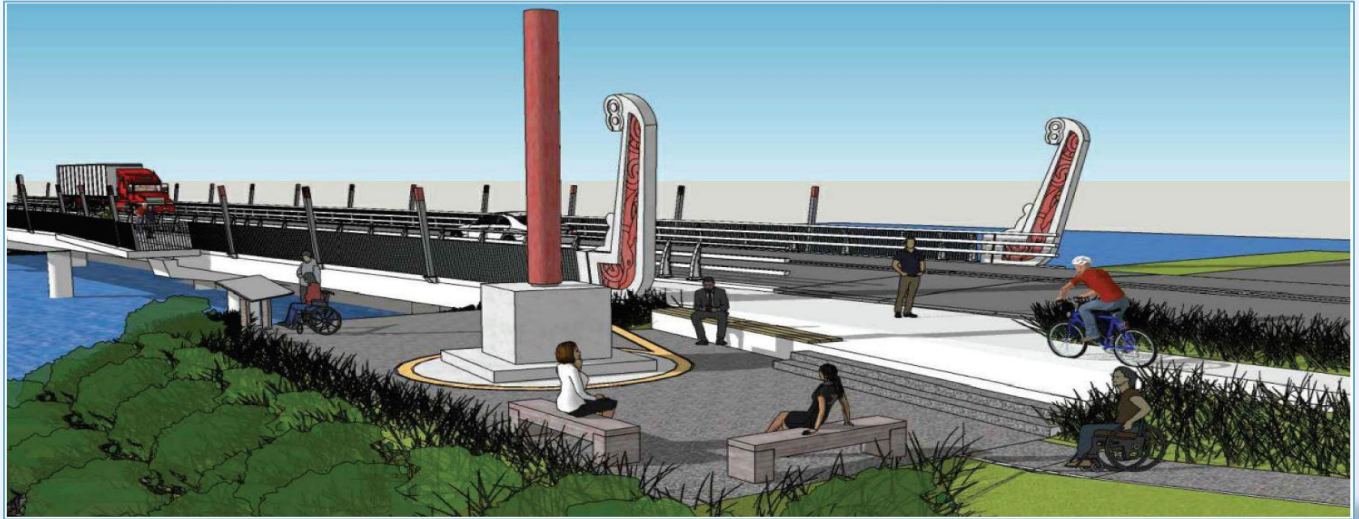


Community Event



Taipa Bridge Opening Ceremony Programme

29 November 2019 – 2 December 2019

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1. Taipa Bridge Opening Ceremony



1.1 Mihi

He karere tenei e tukuna ana i raro i te maru o te Ngati Kahu Hapu Collective me Te Waka Kotahi (NZ Transport Agency), nga roopu whakahaere i te arawhiti/piriti i Taipa. Koia tenei tetahi o nga Tauranga o Kupe, heke iho ki a Te Parata, na reira, he wahi whakahirahira tenei ki nga iwi o Ngati Kahu me Muriwhenua.

1.2 Event Purpose

The purpose of the event is celebrate the completion of Taipa Bridge, acknowledge the history and culture of the Ngati Kahu people and the arrival of waka, and to commemorate WWI and WWII Maori fallen soldiers, and acknowledge waka which arrived in the Doubtless Bay area. The event will take place at Taipā (Doubtless Bay) and include participation of northern waka, Muriwhenua hapu and iwi, local schools, dignitaries, wider community and tourists.

The event is a collaboration of key stake holders including New Zealand Transport Agency, Northland Regional Council, Far North District Council and representatives of the Ngati Kahu Hapu Working Groups of Matakairiri, Matarahurahu, Ngati Tara, Ngati Moroki/Ngai Takiora, Ngati Urunga, Ngati Tara, Ngati Whata, Te Paatu ki Kauhanga and Te Paatu Teretere. The Taipa Bridge Opening Ceremony Event on Monday 2 December 2019 is sponsored by New Zealand Transport Agency.

Located on the southern shore of Doubtless Bay at the mouth of Ika-tiri-tiri/Ika-tere-tere, Taipā was the first landing place of Kupe and will form part of Northland's main tourist connection, the Twin Coast Discovery Route, and play a critical role in the Northland economy.

The bridge is an important link for communities in the Far North. Upgrading Taipā Bridge to a two-lane bridge will enable it to cope better with growing traffic volumes.¹ The Taipā bridge is a standalone project designed to improve safety and freight reliability on the Twin Coast Highway. The new bridge will have two traffic lanes and a shared path for pedestrians and cyclists,² and provide a swimming and fishing platform.

1.3 Significance of Taipā

Taipā is important to local hapu who share the kaitiakitanga in the area. The original Pou Whenua and monument adjacent to the bridge once marked the first landing place of the Polynesian explorer Kupe.³ It was later replaced with a monument to honour fallen soldiers.⁴ The monument included a memorial commemorating 30 local servicemen who will killed in action, and served in the first and second

¹ New Zealand Transport Agency. (November, 03 2017). Taipa Bridge project update – November 2017. Factsheet. New Zealand Transport Agency.

² New Zealand Transport Agency. (March, 27 2017). Taipa Bridge project update – March 2017. Factsheet. New Zealand Transport Agency.

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World War and the 28th Maori Battalion.⁵ The monument has since been decommissioned, and will be replaced with a new Pou Whenua and monument acknowledging fallen soldiers.

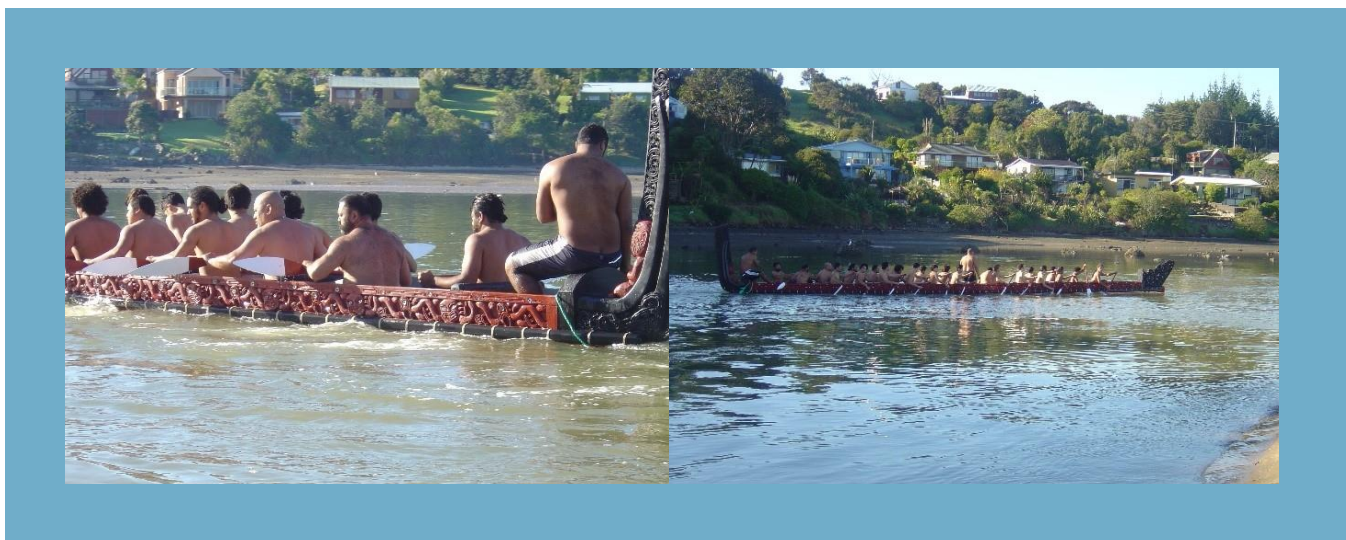
Taipā is the cradle of Ngati Kahu. It is the area of land where Ngati Kahu ancestors settled when they first arrived from Hawaii. Taipā features in the earliest records of a human presence in Aotearoa New Zealand.⁶ Ngati Kahu tradition has it that Kupe first made landfall at Taipā on his arrival from Hawaii. Kupe named the river mouth Ika-tiri-tiri. Assured of a plentiful food supply, he left his daughter on Otengi Point while he explored the coastline. On his return to Hawaii, Kupe gave detailed direction for the return journey.

Kahutianui is the tupuna that gives her name to the tribe of Ngāti Kahu. Kahutianui is the daughter of Tūmoana and Kahukura-ariki. Tūmoana was the rangatira of the Tinana waka. His mokopuna (nephew) Te Parata, is reputed to have refashioned the Tinana at Rangiātea [Ra’iātea] after Tūmoana had returned there from Tauroa, Aotearoa. After the refashioning, the Tinana was renamed Māmaru and guided by Te Parata back to Aotearoa. The Māmaru landed at Rangiāwhia and was beached at Taiapa (Taipā). This name refers to the ‘Taiapa’ that surrounded the kāinga known today as the Taipā Point.



1.4 Event Details

The programme will commence on Friday the 29 November 2019 bringing together waka throughout Tai Tokerau to participate in the opening ceremony. Stall sites will be available to marae for marae fundraisers (market day) on Sunday 1 December 2019. The Dawn Ceremony will be held at the new area of the Taipa Bridge Reserve and will be followed by breakfast, formalities and lunch at 55 Taipa Point Road. Ngati Kahu taonga tūturu from Auckland Museum will be available for viewing from 8.00 am on the Monday 2 of December 2019. There will be four Ngati Kahu taonga tūturu displayed for this event at Remada Reira Resort, Taipa.



⁵ Ministry of Culture and Heritage. (2013).

⁶ The Waitangi Tribunal’s Mangonui Sewerage Report – Wai 17 summarises the oral evidence given by Ngati Kahu Kaumatua.

2. Opening Ceremony Programme

2.1 Programme Day 1: Friday, 29 November 2019

Time	Event	Event Location
10:45 am	Arrival Kaihautu, kaihoe and waka Te Rarawa, Ngai takoto, Ngati Kuri and Te Aupouri	62 Honeymoon Valley Road Kauhanga Marae, Peria
11:00 am	Whakatau/Powhiri Ngati Kahu hapu welcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaihautu, Kaihoe and waka • Te Rarawa, Ngai takoto, Ngati Kuri and Te Aupouri 	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
12:00 noon	Lunch Lunch for visiting kaihautu and kaihoe	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
01.30 pm	Marquee Marquee setup main event 2 December 2019	Taipa River, Taipa
02:30 pm	Briefing Briefing of kaupapa	Taipa River, Taipa
03.00 pm	Waka Training Kaihoe Practice Taipa River	Taipa River, Taipa
06:00 pm	Dinner Kaihautu and kaihoe	Kauhanga Marae, Peria

2.2 Programme Day 2: Saturday, 30 November 2019

Time	Event	Event Location
07:00 am	Breakfast Breakfast for kaihautu and kaihoe	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
08:00 am	Briefing Kaihautu and kaihoe briefing	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
09:00 am	Waka Training Kaihoe training	Taipa River, Taipa
9.00 am to 3.00 pm	Market Day	55 Taipa Point Road, Taipa
12:00 noon	Lunch Packed lunch for kaihautu and kaihoe	Taipa River, Taipa
04:00 pm	Debriefing Kaihautu and kaihoe	Taipa River, Taipa
06:00 pm	Dinner Kaihautu and kaihoe	Kauhanga Marae, Peria

2.3 Programme Day 3: Sunday 1 December 2019

Time	Event	Event Location
6.00 am	Pou erected and tauihu and Taurapa inserts completed (Waka crew to secure Pou until dawn ceremony)	Taipa Bridge, Taipa
7:00 am	Breakfast Breakfast for kaihautu and kaihoe Kaihoe practice	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
11:00 am	Whakatau/Powhiri Ngati Kahu hapu welcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministers, Dignitaries and Mayor • New Zealand Transport Agency • Fulton and Hogan • Opus International • Royal New Zealand Returned Services Association • Auckland Museum (Ngati Kahu Taonga) 	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
12:00 pm	Lunch Manuhiri, kaihautu, kaihoe, Ngati Kahu hapu	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
12:00 pm	Packed lunch Kaihautu and Kaihoe Training Practice	Taipa River, Taipa
01:00 pm	Auckland Museum Ngati Kahu Taonga transferred to Te Ahu Museum	Te Ahu Museum, Kaitaia
01:00 pm	Waka Training Kaihautu and kaihoe Practice	Taipa River, Taipa
05:00 pm	Dinner Dinner for kaihautu and kaihoe	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
06.00 pm	Briefing Taipa Bridge Opening Ceremony	Kauhanga Marae, Peria

2.4 Taipa Bridge Opening Ceremony Event: Monday, 2 December 2019

Time	Event	Event Location
05:30 am	Waka and Kura Kaihautu and kaihoe prepare for ceremony	Taipa Bridge Reserve, Taipa
05:30 am	Arrival for dawn ceremony, assemble and parking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Ceremonies • Government Officials • Government Agencies • Local Government • Hapu and Iwi • Community 	Taipa Bridge Reserve, Taipa
6:15 am to 8.00 am	Dawn ceremony, unveiling and blessing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiare • Unveiling and blessing of tauihu and taurapa • Unveiling and blessing of pou whenua • Unveiling and blessing of story board • Unveiling and blessing of 4 plaques • Rivalli and laying of first wreath monument 	Taipa Bridge Reserve, Taipa

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWI and WW11 Roll Call, Missing in Action and Killed in Action • Kaihautu and kaihoe 	
8.00 am to 10.00 am	Breakfast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast Marquee 55 Taipa Point Road • MC invites guests to view Ngati Kahu Taonga from Auckland Museum at the Ramada Resort 	55 Taipa Point Road, Taipa
10:30 am	Speeches Master of ceremonies welcomes dignitaries, iwi, community and guests – guests seated Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate Minister of Transport • Far North District Council Mayor • Fulton and Hogan 	55 Taipa Point Road, Taipa
12.00 pm	Lunch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch Marquee • Kapa haka performance • Kaihautu and kaihoe Taipa River • Open to community speeches 	55 Taipa Point Road, Taipa
01:00 pm	Bridge opening event concludes	55 Taipa Point Road , Taipa

2.4.1 Programme Day 4: Monday, 2 December 2019

Time	Event	Event Location
06:00 pm	Dinner Kaihautu and kaihoe Te Kauhanga marae, Peria	Kauhanga Marae, Peria

2.5 Programme Day 5: Tuesday, 3 December 2019

Time	Event	Event Location
07:00 am	Breakfast Breakfast for kaihautu and kaihoe	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
08:30 am	Debrief Kaihautu and kaihoe debrief	Kauhanga Marae, Peria
10:00 am	Departure	Kauhanga Marae, Peria