

5.2 Cook's Landing Restoration Project PGF Application

Decision

Background & context:

Applicant Organisation:

- Department of Conservation/ Gisborne District Council/ Ngāti Oneone

Location:

- East Coast/ Tairāwhiti

Proposal:

- Development at the Cook's Landing Site National Historic Reserve

Funding Sought:

- Total project value: \$Commercial Information
- PGF Funding: \$1,630,076

Background:

Investment secured through the Provincial Growth Fund will enable DOC, GDC and Ngāti Oneone (mana whenua of this area) to work in partnership to redevelop the Reserve to create 'Puhī Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site'. One of the goals of this project is to have the site completed for the Cook's Landing celebrations 2019. Three projects make up this application.

1) Cook Landing Site - Monument upgrade

The Cook Landing Site Obelisk is a category 1 registered monument. Plans are to clean, restore and earthquake strengthen the obelisk.



Figure 1: Cook Monument proposed

A new concrete plinth, landscaping and access path, around the base of the Cook Monument will be installed in order to provide a platform for story-telling and

Recommendation(s):

We recommend that the IAP:

- Discuss** Cook's Landing Restoration PGF Application
- Note** This is one of two PGF projects associated with the Cook's Landing celebrations 2019, the other being Mt Titirangi. The Mt Titirangi application focuses on upgrading the immediate surrounding area and includes: Titirangi summit upgrade, development of Ruatānuika site and 1000 years of navigation walk-bridge. Mt Titirangi PGF application is currently with the applicant who is collating additional material asked for by the PDU
- Note** The project is located in a surge region (East Coast/ Tairāwhiti)
- Note** The project is focussed on a PGF priority sector (tourism) and is seeking to be a catalyst for the upcoming Cook's Landing 2019 celebrations
- Note** The project has strong regional and Iwi support - noting the PDU is currently ensuring **all** Iwi and hapu support is in place
- Note** The work is to be undertaken Commercial Information and Commercial Information has completed the design and supplied a costings document.
- Agree to approve** \$1,630,076.000 from the PGF to be allocated towards the Cook's

meeting place for visitor tours.

2) Puhi Kai Iti - Whare Wānanga

'Puhi Kai Iti' will be sited adjacent to the Cook Monument and will resonate with Māori navigational history and stories of Maui, Paikea, and



Figure 2: Puhi Kai Iti

Ngāti Oneone. A fish tail sculpture (Ikaroa), 'gourd' art pieces (a reference to Maia, and a connector for all Tūrangānui-a-Kiwa iwi), plus double skinned perforated metal 'Story Panels' decorated with a tukutuku weaving pattern will create the architectural framework for this significant new Taonga.

3) Interactive landscape

As shown in figure 3, Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site will be a dynamic and interactive landscape.



Figure 3: Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site

Users will need to move through the site in order that the various aspects of the story are brought to life. Each vantage point will render a different view of the Cook Monument and Puhi Kai Iti.

Landing Restoration Project subject to:

- a. Additional confirmation that all relevant Iwi/ Hapu support has been secured; and
- b. A final consultation with the applicant to confirm the construction budget (post application submission costs were added due to the discovery of earthquake strengthening of Obelisk).

The purpose of this briefing is to consider recommending PGF funds to the Cook's Landing Restoration Project

Alignment to PGF criteria:

Increased Economic Benefit

The region is working strongly towards putting in place the infrastructure needed to ensure the upcoming events, including the 2019 celebrations, can act as a catalyst for tourism. The region will receive significant coverage, offering an opportunity to showcase what can be offered to both domestic and international tourists. The applicant has modelled that Comm new FTEs could be generated via the development of this, and other projects associated with the 2019 celebrations.

Additionality

These proposed works will be leveraging off the multi-million dollar investments already well underway including the Titirangi Maunga restoration project, Inner Harbour redevelopment, 'Tairāwhiti' waka

hourua, the Hawaiki Turanga Gateway Sculpture and the Tu Pāpa historical interpretations trail/hikoī.
 Commercial Information

Alignment with regional plans/ Stakeholder support

This is a joint application between Gisborne District Council, Ngati Oneone and Department of Conservation. The Tairāwhiti Economic Action Plan is noted with alignment to its objectives.

Management and Governance

The application provides strong references to both Management and Governance including:

- Local governance processes
- Project management outline
- A high level risk management register
- Procurement process

Risks Issues:

- Completion for the 2019 celebrations.
- Possible Maori support issues exist and are being worked through with the applicant. Significant consultation has taken place.

Eligibility points of note:

- *Due diligence*:- The PDU accepts the GDC and DOC do not require due dil. Note: The contractor has not been finalised for this work. An open tender process for construction is seen in the application but should be followed up.
- *Conflict(s) of interest*:- Based on the information provided no conflict of interest is evident.
- *Illegal Activity*:- Based on the application information provided and feedback from other agencies there is no indication that the applicant or project has been involved in, or associated with illegal activity.
- *Alignment with Regional development plans*:- Project aligns with other local tourism attractions and with the TEAP which identifies tourism as a growth industry.
- *Commercial funding availability*:- Given the nature of the project, access to commercial funding is not considered a feasible option.

Consultation undertaken or implications:

Legal	N/A	HR	N/A	Finance	N/A	MBIE policy	N/A	Other	TPK NZTA MOT
Supporting proposal:		Yes							
Appendices:		Yes – Application as annex							
Sponsor(s):		N/A							
Manager/Author of paper:		ELH Investment Team							