## HISTORIC SITES OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE

# **Proposals for review**

Date:	23 January 2020	Priority:	Medium
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	2030 19-20

Action sought		
	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Shane Jones Minister for Regional Economic Development	Agree to the recommendations outlined in this briefing.	28 January 2020
Hon Grant Robertson Minister of Finance		28 January 2020
Hon Phil Twyford Minister of Transport Minister of Economic Development		28 January 2020
Hon David Parker Minister for Trade and Export Growth		28 January 2020
Fletcher Tabuteau Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Regional Economic Development	Note the contents of this briefing.	28 January 2020

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## Recommendations

### **Projects seeking decision from Regional Economic Development Ministers**

Ref Project name	Project description & benefits	Comment	Total cost of project	Requested PGF Investment	PDU Recommendation
Parihaka Visitor Facilities	Applicant: Parihaka Papakāinga Trust (PPT)  Region: Taranaki  Parihaka is a Taranaki settlement, first established in 1866 to provide refuge for Māori during the New Zealand Land Wars. Led by Tohu Kākahi and Te Whiti o Rongomai, the people used acts of peaceful resistance to challenge land confiscation and forced sales by the Crown. In November 1881, Crown-led forces invaded the peaceful settlement. The invasion and resulting occupation caused the degradation of the physical, cultural and spiritual wellbeing of the people of Parihaka.  The work of today's descendants to keep the teachings of Tohu and Te Whiti alive has resulted in Parihaka becoming a destination for local, national and international visitors seeking to understand the experience of the community and the legacy of its prophets.  The Parihaka Papakāinga Trust (PPT) provides governance for the Parihaka Papakāinga. The PPT is seeking \$Commercial Information of PGF investment to build visitors' facilities at the Parihaka Papakāinga and enhance visitor access to, and understanding of, Parihaka, focusing on the legacy of Te Whiti and Tohu, and principles of sustainability and peace, autonomy, self-sufficiency, and unity.  The four main components of the PGF application are:  Removal of an existing building on the site  Development of a visitor centre and supporting infrastructure on the site  Car and bus parking  Hard infrastructure (paths, seats, lights) and landscaping at visitor centre site  Link the visitor centre site to the broader Papakāinga  Build a pedestrian bridge  Hard infrastructure (paths, seats, lights, fences) and landscaping for visitor experience across the whole Papakāinga  Research and narrative development (for visitor experience at centre and broader Papakāinga, and fit-out of narrative elements in visitor centre).	their account of the events of 1881, the history of the Papakāinga, and their unique belief system. The project will promote shared knowledge of the events that occurred in 1881; the teachings of Te Whiti and Tohu; and the Papakāinga's subsequent path to regeneration, by developing and sharing a Parihaka narrative, enabling the community to tell the story in their own way.  Additionally, the project would link with the Taranaki Cathedral project, which received \$5,000,000 funding from the PGF for its development as a site of significance to the New Zealand Land Wars; Te Kohia, the site of the first shots fired in the New Zealand Land Wars; and the Tapuae Roa Taranaki Crossing project, which received \$10,300,000 funding from the PGF.  Note that the PPT has committed \$Commercial Information towards this project and is actively seeking co-funding support of up to Commercial Information	\$Commercial Information	Scommercial Information	Recommendation Approve up to \$14,000,000



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		be catered for into an economic opportunity for the people of Parihaka. The outcome will be a visitor centre that provides jobs for Parihaka residents, tells the story of Parihaka in the voice of its people (for regional, national and international audiences) and offers facilities and experiences for groups of various sizes, and income for the wider Papakāinga.  Initial economic analysis provided by indicates an provided injection into the economy through the build and a multiplier effect of formeroal information creation of approximately injection into the economy through the build and a multiplier effect of spanning profit of up to provided by injection into the economy through the build and a multiplier effect of spanning profit of up to provided by injection into the economy through the build and a multiplier effect of spanning profit of up to provided by injection into the economy through the build and a multiplier effect of spanning profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately and provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately approvided by injection of approximately approximately profit of up to provided by injection of approximately injection	National Importance allocation is very strong. These criteria are:  Developing sites to support economic activity in the regions, and connection of New Zealanders to these sites;  Promoting shared understanding of our history through promoting important sites and events, including sites of national importance in the New Zealand Wars and the founding of our nation;  Providing for unique tourism activities that could potentially connect with other tourism ventures within an area; and  Supporting Māori development and prosperity, including through realising the story-telling potential and developing related sites of special significance to iwi and Māori.  Supporting Māori development and prosperity, including through realising the story-telling potential and developing related sites of special significance to iwi and Māori.			
2.	Te Ika o te Kōpua	Applicant: Te Ruapekapeka Pā Management Trust (TRT)  Region: Northland  Te Ruapekapeka Pā Management Trust (TRT) is a charitable trust that oversees the governance of the Ruapekapeka Historic Reserve on behalf of local Northland Māori. Ruapekapeka Historic Reserve is the site of the Battle of Ruapekapeka, the last battle of the Northern War.  TRT's responsibilities include ensuring the mana and taha wairua of Te Ruapekapeka Pā is maintained, upheld and respected for the future benefit and education of all New Zealanders.  TRT is seeking \$2 million of PGF investment to improve the overall visitor experience and contribute to a balanced understanding of this historic site of national importance. It is hoped the upgrades will help increase visitor numbers. The three main components of the PGF	The Provincial Development Unit (PDU) recommends approving \$2,000,000 of PGF grant funding from the PGF Historic Sites of National Importance Allocation towards the Te Ika o te Kōpua project, subject to:  a. A detailed project plan, including confirmation of governance arrangements, being provided to the PDU and project milestones being agreed to;  b. The PDU receiving financial statements for the 2019 financial year and satisfactory financial analysis; and  c. Agreement between TRT, DOC and Northland Regional Council as to how the pou, along with any other asset that is purchased or created as part of this project, will be maintained and who is responsible for maintenance of such assets.  Te Ruapekapeka is a uniquely Northland and New Zealand tourism destination and this investment will increase its value as a product and one of the best preserved Māori land war sites in the country.  The project aligns with TRT's Strategic Intent and Action Plan	\$ <sup>Commercial</sup> Information	\$2,000,000 (grant)	Approve



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		<ul> <li>attract attention to the Ruapekapeka Historic Reserve.</li> <li>Investment in hapū research on tūpuna involved at the Battle of Ruapekapeka and subsequent development of tūpuna pou for the sides of the pathway up to Ruapekapeka Pā</li> <li>Investment in narrative development for Ruapekapeka storytelling both onsite at the Ruapekapeka Historic Reserve and through digital channels.</li> </ul>	ambition of becoming economically self-sustaining. The project also has the potential to create employment opportunities for hapū as guided tours are offered at Ruapekapeka. The PDU notes TRT does not have any immediate plans to begin offering such services. A significant component of this project is the story-telling element and ensuring that both Pākehā and Māori accounts of the Battle of Ruapekapeka are displayed at the site. Whilst details are yet to be determined, TRT believes the overall visitor experience will be improved if the story of Ruapekapeka is told in the context of other conflicts of the Northern War and linked to other heritage projects in the region.  This application's alignment with the four criteria of Historic Sites of National Importance allocation is very strong. These criteria are:  • Developing sites to support economic activity in the regions, and connection of New Zealanders to these sites;  • Promoting shared understanding of our history through promoting important sites and events, including sites of national importance in the New Zealand Wars and the founding of our nation;  • Providing for unique tourism activities that could potentially connect with other tourism ventures within an area; and  • Supporting Māori development and prosperity, including through realising the story-telling potential and developing related sites of special significance to iwi and Māori.			

### **Recommended Action**

The Provincial Development Unit recommends that you:

1. **Note** that in December 2019 Cabinet agreed to allocate up to \$20 million from the PGF towards projects developing historic sites of national importance [CAB-19-MIN-0652 refers].

Noted

#### Parihaka Visitor Facilities

2. **Note** that the Parihaka Visitor Facilities project is one of the identified historic sites investments;

Noted

- 3. **Agree** to approve up to \$14,000,000 of PGF grant funding from the PGF Historic Sites of National Importance Allocation towards the Parihaka Visitor Facilities project, subject to:
  - a. The project being funded in two phases:
    - i. **Phase one** is to complete the detailed project plan (including cost and technical verification and confirmed project milestones); and
    - ii. **Phase two** completing the work against the agreed project milestones.
  - - i. the PDU being satisfied with final project plan and costings, and recruitment of project management and technical expertise;
    - ii. the completion of a detailed business plan;
    - iii. an agreed procurement approach for the programme of work;
    - iv. details of the governance structure which would be in place for the project; and
    - v. secured co-funding for the project.
  - c. PGF funding for phase two will be released in tranches against contracted project milestones.

Agree/Disagree

#### Te Ika o te Kōpua

4. **Note** that Te Ika o te Kōpua (Ruapekapeka) is one of the identified historic sites investments;

Noted

- 5. **Agree** to approve \$2,000,000 of PGF grant funding from the PGF Historic Sites of National Importance Allocation towards the Te Ika o te Kōpua project, subject to:
  - a. A detailed project plan, including confirmation of governance arrangements, being provided to the PDU and project milestones being agreed to;
  - b. The PDU receiving financial statements for the 2019 financial year and satisfactory financial analysis; and
  - c. Agreement between TRT, DOC and Northland Regional Council as to how the pou, along with any other asset that is purchased or created as part of this project, will be maintained and who is responsible for maintenance of such assets.

Agree/Disagree

Ben Dalton Chief Operating Officer Provincial Development Unit / /	Hon Grant Robertson  Minister of Finance  /
Hon Phil Twyford  Minister of Transport  Minister of Economic Development  / /	Hon David Parker  Minister for Trade and Export Growth  / /
Hon Shane Jones  Minister for Regional Economic Development / /	

### **Background**

Historic Sites of National Importance Allocation

- 2. In December 2019 Cabinet agreed to allocate up to \$20 million from the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) towards projects developing historic sites of national importance [CAB-19-MIN-0652 refers].
- 3. The PGF had already invested in a range of historic and cultural projects (e.g. the Rotorua Museum, Whanganui's Sarjeant Gallery and a new theatre in Hamilton). The PGF Historic Sites of National Importance Allocation is an opportunity to make further, targeted investment that will enable all New Zealanders to better understand our shared history and build a strong foundation for our future.
- 4. Four factors have been identified as relevant criteria for historic sites investments:
  - Developing sites to support economic activity in the regions, and connection of New Zealanders to these sites;
  - Promoting shared understanding of our history through promoting important sites and events, including sites of national importance in the New Zealand Wars and the founding of our nation;
  - Providing for unique tourism activities that could potentially connect with other tourism ventures within an area; and
  - Supporting Māori development and prosperity, including through realising the storytelling potential and developing related sites of special significance to iwi and Māori.
- 5. Three sites have been identified as exemplar sites and potential projects that would make up an initial tranche of investment under this allocation; Parihaka (Taranaki), Ruapekapeka (Northland) Commercial Information