



## Application for Funding

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| <b>Proposal Name</b>                  | <p>Mt Titirangi - Puhi Kai Iti Connection</p> <p>“Ko Titirangi ki runga<br/>Ko Te Urumatai ki raro<br/>Ko Te Poho o Rawiri ki waenganui”</p> <p>“If Titirangi is our mountain, and the land that our marae stands on is Te Urumatai, then in the middle of that is Te Poho o Rawiri and everything it represents, which is us, ko Ngati Oneone.”</p> <p>‘Te Kauwae-raro – Te Kauwae-runga’<br/><i>All that is Above – All that is Below</i></p> <p>Te Pa Eke Tu video link: <a href="https://youtu.be/dbcQyasIKkQ">https://youtu.be/dbcQyasIKkQ</a></p> <p>Ngati Oneone Chair, Charlotte Gibson interview video link: <a href="https://youtu.be/MYbkz6V43sc">https://youtu.be/MYbkz6V43sc</a></p> |
| <b>Applicants and contact details</b> | <p>Nedine Thatcher Swann CEO<br/>Gisborne District Council<br/>15 Fitzherbert Street<br/>Gisborne<br/>06 869 2424</p>   |

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| <p><b>Summary of project</b><br/> <i>Include an overview of:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The proposal for which funding is sought</i></li> <li>• <i>The amount of funding being sought</i></li> <li>• <i>Details of all contributors to the proposal and engaged stakeholders</i></li> <li>• <i>What the proposal is seeking to achieve</i></li> <li>• <i>A summary of other sections of the business case</i></li> </ul> | <p><b>The proposal and amount of funding sought</b></p> <p>This 1<sup>st</sup> Tier Proposal to the Provincial Growth Fund is a joint application between Gisborne District Council (GDC), Ngati Oneone and the Department of Conservation (DOC).</p> <p>It seeks investment of \$9.1M to support 'Titirangi - Puhi Kai iti' Connection developments at the Titirangi Maunga connecting to Puhi Kai iti - Cook Landing Site (CLS) National Historic Reserve.</p> <p>This proposal will be the jewel in the crown of the nationally significant Tairāwhiti Navigations Programme.</p> <p>It is our intention that the proposal be delivered in time for the 250 year Sestercentennial commemoration events to take place in October 2019.</p> <p>Significant capital components for which funding is being sought are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Titirangi Summit Upgrade</b>, includes new building providing a multi-use Wānanga (learning/gathering space) and panoramic viewing facility, car-park, new landscaping, signage and public furniture to support a unique visitor experience.</li> <li>2. <b>Development of Ruatanuika site</b><br/>       Located between the Summit and Puhi Kai Iti (Cook Landing Site). This site includes a new lookout, interpretive signage, public furniture and significant sculpture to acknowledge Te Maro (the renown Ngati Oneone chieftain with an intrinsic connection to Titirangi. This site is where he looked over Turanganui a Kiwa and his legendary gardens and the site where he was killed in October 1769).</li> <li>3. <b>1000 years of Navigations' walk-bridge</b><br/>       An iconic 360° degree walk-bridge. This project will work alongside the currently underway upgrade of the Cook Landing site funded by MBIE and DOC. This bridge will compliment and connect the Cook landing Site project so that the benefits can be fully realised. A name change to Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site is an outcome of the project.</li> </ol> <p><b>THE PROPOSAL WILL ACHIEVE</b></p> <p>The three components of the proposal are individually influential, but combined, they will deliver significant benefits to the East Coast/Tairawhiti Region. This includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating a world class site of unique cultural heritage – to be shared with generations of New Zealanders and international visitors.</li> <li>• Reunifying the Titirangi maunga - mountain from the base (Puhi Kai Iti) to the summit in a way that is sympathetic to the history and significance of the site to Ngati Oneone.</li> <li>• Improving visitor access and safety to and around this site of National significance.</li> <li>• Delivering a key component of the Tairawhiti Navigations project: a transformational regional value proposition.</li> <li>• Growing the relatively undeveloped tourism sector in Tairawhiti.</li> </ul> <p><b>Critical to resolving an intractable issue</b></p> <p>Rakaiaatane Road is busy with heavy truck traffic from around the region converging on this short stretch of road to deliver logs to Eastland Port. Currently this road <u>dissects</u> Puhi Kai Iti-Cooks Landing from Titirangi maunga-mountain and its summit [see Figure 1].</p> <p>A safe pedestrian linkage across Rakaiaatane Road is pivotal to unlocking the cultural, social and economic benefits associated with this potentially regionally transformative project.</p> |
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Figure 1: Titirangi-Puhi Kai Iti connections

The aim of this proposal is to secure funding in time for us to complete these upgrades by October 2019 in time for *Tuia – First Encounters 250* the Tier 1 national commemoration of the first landing of James Cook and meeting of Māori and Europeans cultures in October 1769.

#### Tairawhiti Navigations - The Big Picture

The proposed upgrades are a part of the overarching Tairawhiti Navigation Project telling the story of Māori and Pākehā voyaging, arrival and settlement in Tairawhiti spanning almost 1000 years. The Tairawhiti Navigations infrastructure will provide a world-class heritage experience at key sites based around the Gisborne Inner Harbour.

We intend that Tairawhiti Navigations will be an authentic, contemporary and unique regional value proposition which uses creative and innovative landscape, urbanism and place making to reconnect with its past, provide a catalyst for its future and reveal its cultural significance.

Also included in the Tairawhiti Navigations proposal are: Titirangi – Puhi Kai Iti, Navigations Centre / I Site, Gisborne Airport Terminal building upgrade. These proposed works will be leveraging off the multi-million dollar investments already well underway including the Titirangi Maunga restoration project, Inner Harbour redevelopment, 'Tairawhiti' waka hourua, Hawaiki Turanga and the historical interpretations trail/hikoī (see brochure attached for more information on Tairawhiti Navigations and these specific projects). The immediate sites in and around the Inner Harbour form a natural and encapsulated trail around our most significant iconic heritage locations

The planned developments cannot be replicated anywhere else and provide the region with a competitive edge over other regions. Tairawhiti Navigations is not only about growing Eastland's tourism industry, but also about maintaining its share in an increasingly competitive marketplace by creating a vibrant package that both visitors and tour operators will look for in a destination area. All projects are being developed with tangata whenua to enable a strong maori tourism proposition, and social, cultural and health benefits that will launch from the infrastructure and experiences that Tairawhiti Navigations will provide.

#### OUR CONTRIBUTORS AND ENGAGED STAKEHOLDERS

This project owes much to the aspiration and vision of Ngati Oneone who as mana whenua of Titirangi and Puhi Kai Iti (Cook Landing Site) have been the driving force behind this proposal.

*"Te Tihi o Titirangi (the summit of Titirangi) is a place for karakia. It is a place for connection to ourselves, to each other and to the rest of Turanganui a Kiwa. It is a place for spiritual connection, the place where one sets off on their journey to the next world when their time*

*here is done. It's alignment to our maunga Motukeo, the leaping place for the soul to the spirit world is hugely significant.*

*Just as without the pa there is no iwi, without the maunga there is no pa. The maunga has always sustained its people, providing protection and shelter. Titirangi maunga is part of Ngati Oneone whakapapa. At present there is nothing on the summit that signifies the importance of the tahi to Ngati Oneone, its cultural rites or its previous history as a place of wananga. Titirangi has been divided and divorced through roads and most recently Port operation. The Puhī Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site is now separated from Titirangi (once a fluid landscape) by Rakaiatane Road, the only access for logging trucks to Gisborne's busy Port.*

*Ngati Oneone no longer have a connection to a place that is hugely significant to its people. The channels that are supposed to have been used by Cook as he came ashore are the same channels used by our tipuna Maia and his waka, Te Ikaroo-a-Rauru. The more sacred parts of the navigation tails of the waka (known as puhī) that could not be brought up onto land were laid in the channels.*

*This history predates Cook by some 750 years, and yet there is no reference on that site of its significance to the iwi. Furthermore, there is no way for Ngati Oneone to access this site due to the lack of decent connectivity, paths and the operations on the log road.*

*A reconnection from the base of the maunga (Puhī Kai Iti) to the summit must be forged that is sympathetic to the history and significance of the site to Ngati Oneone in order for this grievance to be addressed. It is believed that this should be rectified, and that this place should be elevated to encompass both these traditional uses, as well as facilitate korero about our future as a region.*

*While there is a proven overhang of demand for Tairāwhiti experiences that showcase the history and culture of the region, the Maunga and Landing Site are unable to help tell their stories while these issues remain."*

**Charlotte Gibson – Chair Te Poho o Rawiri Marae**

#### **TAIRAWHITI NAVIGATIONS GOVERNANCE GROUP**

This group has been meeting for 12 years and is chaired by the project champion Mayor Meng Foon. Its members are: Eastland Port, Historic Places Tairāwhiti, Te Ha Sestercentennial 1769 Trust, Ngati Oneone, Rongowhakaata, Ngāi Tāmanuhiri, Te Aitanga a Māhaki, Ngāti Porou, Department of Conservation, Activate Tairāwhiti, Eastland Community Trust

#### **LEAD AGENCIES**

##### **Te Kaunihera o Te Tairāwhiti (Gisborne District Council)**

Responsible for project managing the upgrades to Mt Titirangi Summit and project managing (and owning) infrastructure as part of the Tairāwhiti Navigations project. Facilitate community input to decisions.

##### **Ngati Oneone**

Are the Mana Whenua of Titirangi maunga- mountain.

Provide Iwi vision and input to Te Kaunihera o Te Tairāwhiti decisions.

Responsible for the Puhī Kai Iti Memorandum of Understanding between Ngati Oneone, Department of Conservation and GDC.

Partners in the co-management agreement with GDC for Titirangi maunga- mountain.

##### **Department of Conservation**

Administrator of Puhī Kai Iti - Cook Landing Site National Historic Reserve on behalf of central government.

Business owner, project manager and contract manager of the Cook Landing Site project upgrade including the development of the 1000 year walk-bridge and the Ruatanuika site.

Major funder alongside the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Environment (MBIE).

Member of the Tairāwhiti Navigations Governance Group.

#### **OTHER ENGAGED STAKEHOLDERS**

##### **Eastland Port**

Owner and operator of adjacent Logging Port

##### **Te Ha Sestercentennial 1769 Trust**

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|  | <p>Lead agency for 2019 commemoration events in Tairāwhiti</p> <p><b>Activate Tairāwhiti</b><br/>Regional Economic Development and Tourism Agency</p> <p><b>Eastland Community Trust</b><br/>Major funder</p> <p><b>Heritage NZ</b><br/>Governing body for upgrade of Historic Places</p> <p><b>Ministry of Business, Innovation and Environment (MBIE)</b><br/>Major funder</p> <p><b>Manatū Taonga - Ministry for Culture and Heritage</b><br/>Lead government agency for the 2019 Tier 1 national commemoration</p> <p><b>ADDITIONAL SUPPORT INFORMATION</b><br/>In addition to this application we include supporting information and designs for the proposed facilities to be created including concept plans for each of the three components, being; Titirangi Summit, Ruatanuika, and the 1000 year walkbridge.</p> |
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## Costs and Benefits of the Project

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| <b>What is the total cost of the project</b>   | <p>Titirangi Summit = \$6,000,000</p> <p>Ruatanuika Site = \$400,000</p> <p>1000 year walk bridge = \$2,700,000</p> <p>(existing fully funded project includes Cook Landing Site \$1,550,000 (MBiE and DOC Funded) and Titirangi Restoration \$1,300,000 (GDC funded)</p> <p>TOTAL 11,950,000</p>                                  |                    |
| <b>What is your (the applicant's) financial contribution?</b>  | <p>GDC \$1,300,000 (Titirangi Restoration)</p> <p>DOC \$550,000 (Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site upgrade project)</p>   |                    |
| <b>What Government funding is being sought</b>   | \$9,100,000  |                    |
| <b>Breakdown of other funders</b><br><i>Specify contributor and contribution (including central government, regional, private trust etc)</i> | <b>Contributor</b>   | <b>Amount (\$)</b> |
|  | MBIE pending (Action 5.3 TREAP - Cook Landing Site for site upgrade (this funding does not provide for the 1000 year walk bridge or Ruatanuika – these elements were included to be developed alongside the CLS project following further engagement with Ngati Oneone and key stakeholders through the CLS concept phase process) | 1,000,000          |
|  | Tourism Infrastructure Fund approved (Car parks and some new walkways on Titirangi, and Carparks in the Inner Harbour)   | 1,200,000          |
|  | Eastland Port approved (new walkway connection along the base of Titirangi to Kaiti Beach)   | \$300,000          |

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| <p><b>Benefits of the project</b><br/> <i>Identify and, if possible, quantify the economic benefits from the project. In particular, highlight public benefits (i.e. benefits other than increase profitability of the applicant)</i></p> | <p><b>Boosting Productivity and Economic Growth</b></p> <p>This proposal will boost productivity and economic growth in the region by delivering a significant regional tourism project that showcases and celebrates the unique culture and navigational heritage of the district.</p> <p>Whilst other regions have invested in infrastructure to stimulate economic growth and encourage tourism, Tairāwhiti is still relatively under developed.</p> <p>In the last several years there has been some new investment (e.g. new hotels) but little in the way of new experiences and products to refresh and diversify the industry. There remains a heavy reliance on traditional sun, sand and surf holidays, which have limited opportunity for adding further value to the local economy.</p> <p>Tairāwhiti Navigations is the culmination of a decade of planning and scoping. The three components described in this application will be pivotal for changing ordinary spaces into well-connected unique heritage landmarks.</p> <p>The overall economic impact anticipated for the Navigations Programme would be \$2.7million in year 7 of the project. This assumes direct value added at 40% of direct output and a type II multiplier of 1.5 this would equate to approximately 44 full time equivalent positions for the region. <sup>1</sup></p> <p><b>Unlocking Tourism and Other Benefits</b></p> <p>Globally, visitors are looking to learn more and connect with local people via stories in the communities they visit. Niche areas such as cultural and heritage tourism are well suited to this type of experience.</p> <p>Approximately 20% of all international visitors to NZ will visit a Maori tourism attraction. Cruise New Zealand has just confirmed that Gisborne will host at least 18 cruises in the 2018/19 season – a 32% increase - bringing at least 40,000 additional visitors to our region. Gisborne is now classed as an ‘Emerging Cruise Destination’ port and is expecting to increase its cruise market over the next decade with the impetus provided by the 2019 commemoration.</p> <p>When this is combined with the Air New Zealand campaign to add an additional 40,000 seats on the Gisborne-Wellington route and the planned NZTA upgrades to the Pacific Coast Highway making road travel to the district easier, our visitation rate is set to increase to two million visitors.</p> <p>Much time and money has been invested by central government, tourism development agencies, local organisations and local government in brokering campaigns to develop tourism in our region. However unless we can provide infrastructure to match we will not be in a position to capitalize on these initiatives. The ambience, condition and accessibility of a facility is the first thing that is noticed by visitors.</p> <p>The overall economic impact anticipated for the Navigations Programme is projected to be \$2.7million in year 7 of the project. This assumes direct value added at 40% of direct output and a type II multiplier of 1.5 this would equate to approximately 44 full time equivalent positions for the region. <sup>2</sup></p> <p><b>Social inclusion and participation</b></p> <p>At present there is nothing that signifies the importance of the tihi (Summit) to Ngāti Oneone, its cultural rites or its previous history as a place of wananga. Elevating this place to encompass both these traditional uses, and facilitate korero about our future as a region will benefit everyone who visits.</p> |
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<sup>1</sup> TRA Pre-feasibility study Tairāwhiti Navigations page 13

<sup>2</sup> TRA Pre-feasibility study Tairāwhiti Navigations page 13

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|  | <p>The most important benefit that this project will address is the visual redefining of cultural balance through stories of arrival and survival which predate James Cook by at least 750 years. In this we will recognise the equal importance of tangata whenua to the development of our region and modern New Zealand.</p> <p><b>Community connections</b><br/>While Ngati Oneone retain its own connection through the pa and Kura, Titirangi has been divided and divorced through roads and most recently Port operation.</p> <p>The new facilities will enhance the amenity of the area which will mean that visitors will finally be able to experience the full range of natural, cultural and heritage opportunities afforded by Titirangi maunga-mountain.</p> <p><i>Enhanced Sense of Place – “With the restoration of flora and eventually fauna, it is believed Titirangi will start to restore its mauri, whittled away by years of deforestation, farming and division of lands that were carved off for various industrial purposes. For this reason, it is paramount that the native forestation efforts continue on Titirangi, so that she might be fully clothed in a cloak befitting of her status Just as without the pa there is no iwi, without the maunga there is no pa. The maunga has always sustained its people, providing protection and shelter. Titirangi maunga is part of Ngati Oneone whakapapa.”</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Te Poho o Rawiri and Ngati Oneone – Building Our People</b></p> <p>These projects actively seek to promote community dialogue and increase the sense of shared ownership of our regions infrastructure. The projects will attract our attention to and encourage our interaction with these culturally significant public spaces.</p> <p>Through this our community will be enabled to identify, celebrate and protect the historic character and distinctiveness that give us our unique sense of place. The project will be an important asset to our community through beautification of our built and natural environment.</p> <p>The project will create more inviting spaces, as well as providing healthier, safer environments for residents and visitors alike.</p> |
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## Contribution to the Fund’s Objectives/Additionality

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| <p><b>What are the key objectives of the proposal?</b><br/><i>Include information about how the proposal will meet these objectives</i></p> | <p>This proposal is one of a handful of transformational initiatives that will help achieve Te Kaunihera o Te Tairāwhiti’s (GDC’s) vision of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a thriving economy</li> <li>• a strong, resilient and healthy region</li> <li>• connected and sustainable communities.</li> </ul> <p>The key objectives of the Mt Titirangi – Puhī Kai Iti connection proposal are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Embody Te Tiriti o Waitangi principle of partnership</li> <li>b) Deliver a key component of the Tairāwhiti Navigations project: a transformational regional value proposition</li> <li>c) Improve visitor access and safety to and around this site of National significance</li> </ol> <p>We will measure the success of our work against the actions and tasks in the Tairāwhiti Economic Action Plan, February 2017 (TEAP) and against Indicators of sustainable intergenerational wellbeing.</p> <p>The proposal will meet these objectives by enabling the delivery of a significant regional tourism project that showcases and celebrates the unique culture and navigational heritage of the district.</p> |
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**What is the existing situation?**  
*In relation to each of the objectives*

**a. Embody Te Tiriti o Waitangi principle of partnership**

Maori make up 50% of the population of Tairāwhiti.

The joint partnership between GDC, Ngati Oneone and DOC to imagine and develop this proposal has been many years in its formation. Together we have acted reasonably, honourably, and in good faith to arrive at an agreed vision for this sentinel maunga-mountain. The realisation of this proposal will fully embody the principles of reciprocity and of mutual benefit, to the extent that the summit and the base of Mt Titirangi will once again be culturally and physically connected – as it was during the time of Ngai Oneone tipuna.

Through urban design, architecture, place making and innovative cultural heritage interpretation, the proposal uses themes developed by Iwi, that acknowledge and celebrate the historical significance of the area where Pākeha made landfall for the first time in Aotearoa, and encountered local Māori – Puhī Kai Iti – Cooks Landing Site. It also celebrates the celestial connection of the summit to the stars – so important for ancient navigators of all cultures.

Through these proposed actions, GDC and DOC are effectively repatriating this sacred taonga that has for so many years been removed from its Tangata Whenua.

Ngati Oneone are working with GDC and DOC as equal partners to deliver a world class site of unique cultural heritage – to be shared with generations of New Zealanders and international visitors.

**b. Deliver a key component of the Tairāwhiti Navigations project: a transformational regional value proposition**

In October 2019 Gisborne will be the convergence point for unprecedented numbers of visitors as part of the 250 sestercentennial commemorations of the first meeting of Europeans and Maori in New Zealand.

Tairāwhiti Navigations is a significant regional tourism project that seeks to transform, showcase and celebrate the unique culture and navigational heritage of the district.

The project has involved multi-million dollar Government investment to create a vibrant package that both visitors and tour operators will look for in a destination area.

The planned developments will create totally new heritage facilities in Tairāwhiti that cannot be replicated anywhere else and provide the region with a competitive edge over other regions.

**c. Improve visitor access and safety to and around this site of National significance access**

Current facilities are not fit for purpose and create an unsafe and disconnected experience for visitors. Despite its cultural significance to our Region, access to the base of Mt Titirangi – (via Ruataniwha site and the Cooks Landing Site) is seriously compromised by surrounding Port activities.

Growing volumes of heavy traffic transporting logs to Eastland Port have made access to the summit, but particularly the base of Mt Titirangi difficult and dangerous.

The total volume of logs exported through Eastland Port has grown from a few hundred thousand tonnes in 2007 to 2.6 million tonnes in 2017. It is forecast to grow to 3 - 4 million tonnes per year by 2020.

Without safe access to this site, the increasing volumes of logging trucks moving through Puhī Kai Iti/Titirangi will have ongoing implications for the regeneration of this place that is so significant to Tairāwhiti, and to New Zealand.

The proposal brings a sophisticated design response to this dilemma. Rendering the story of our Maori ancestors and their arrival into our district almost 1000 years ago, and enhancing our picture of European arrival 250 years ago, in an exciting and authentic contemporary way.



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| <p><b>What is the business need of the project?</b><br/> <i>The gap between the current and future state</i></p>  | <p>There are two immediate business needs which this proposal seeks to address. Both meet the overall objectives outlined above.</p> <p><b>Issue 1: 'Visibility' - Redefine the cultural landscape to reflect the story of iwi.</b><br/> This proposal and the wider Tairāwhiti Navigations project is an opportunity to tell previously untold chapters of the story of our nation, encompassing the history passed down by local experts in whakapapa and esoteric knowledge. This is the story of first arrival, the story of the land, the story of the people who lived upon it and its equal importance to the shaping not only of Tairāwhiti but also of modern New Zealand.</p> <p>Creating a 'third' transitional space between sites where visitors and the community are drawn through walkways will be pivotal to the ongoing success (measured by visitor numbers and increased 'meaning' created through 'every-day' use) and ultimately the greater rejuvenation of the summit and the nationally significant monument at its base.</p> <p><b>Issue 2: 'Walkability' - Connection between Mt Titirangi and Puhi Kai Iti - Cook Landing Site</b><br/> People being able to move safely and easily between destination sites is a <i>critical</i> factor in our ability to deliver on the social, cultural and economic benefits of this proposal.</p> <p>The proposed walk-bridge across Rakaiatane Road will provide safe pedestrian access with clear visibility and improved lines of sight for truck drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. Resolving the issues of safe access and the current dissection of Puhi Kai Iti-Cook Landing Site and Titirangi Maunga from each other will have wider social, cultural, economic and environmental benefits.</p>  |
| <p><b>How does the project contribute to the Fund's outcomes?</b><br/> <i>i.e. Maori development, environmental sustainability, employment outcomes, increased productivity</i></p> | <p>The proposal, through the delivery of each of the three components, will contribute to Provincial Growth Fund outcomes in the following ways:</p> <p><b>Jobs and Sustainable Economic Development</b><br/> This project will create employment opportunities through tourism development. Specifically the <b>Ngati Oneone - Maturanga Maori programme</b><br/> Ngati Oneone aspire to develop a tourism package around the Titirangi-Puhi Kai Iti Precinct that includes training and employing young iwi members under the stewardship of te Poho o Rawiri Marae, at the base of Mt Titirangi.</p> <p>They have developed the Maturanga Maori programme, which is running from the Marae.</p> <p>By the end of 2018 thirteen students will graduate from the programme with a Bachelor of Maori Performing Arts.</p> <p>As described in other sections of this application, the delivery of a unique transformational value proposition has the potential to dramatically increase the number of visitors to the region. This will have wide spread benefits to local businesses and producers.</p> <p><b>Social Inclusion and Participation</b><br/> The proposed investment will deliver improved social outcomes by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• enabling regional employment growth</li> <li>• improving community connections by sharing the 'stories of our place'</li> <li>• creating new public places that will enable our community to identify, celebrate and protect the historic character and distinctiveness that makes Tairāwhiti unique.</li> <li>• Enhancing the way major public places in the Gisborne urban area look, feel and function.</li> <li>• Creating opportunities for more active recreation through a series of heritage sites that can be reached only by foot or bike.</li> </ul> <p>The history and stories to be represented in these proposed projects have never been documented in a way which is visually significant or accessible to our community.</p> |

Through these projects we are seeking to redefine cultural balance through the stories of arrival and survival which predate James Cook by at least 750 years. Giving recognition to the equal importance of Maori to the development of our region and modern New Zealand.

The whakapapa representations that will feature in the projects are inclusive of all iwi and hapu who have mana whenua within Tairāwhiti.

These projects validate the importance of intangible Taonga such as Kaupapa (histories), whakapapa (genealogy), karakia (prayer) and waiata (song) as well as tangible Taonga such as objects, places and the environment.

#### **Maori Development**

Ngāti Oneone have developed a 30 year Plan "*Te Poho o Rawiri and Ngāti Oneone – Building Our People*" which clearly sets out their aspirations and steps they will take to build their own capacity. The Central point for this is Te Poho o Rawiri Marae which is currently undergoing a full redevelopment through a \$2.0M investment from the Significant Projects Fund.

Ngāti Oneone aspire for Titirangi to gain her own personhood, to be recognised and afforded all the respect that any other tipuna would receive.

Ngāti Oneone would then see her returned to her people as her kaitiaki, to be nurtured and cared for like any other tipuna might be cared for.

As part of this kaitiakitanga, and in the spirit of the Titirangi Accord and subsequent co-management arrangements, the ultimate outcome would be for Ngāti Oneone to become sole kaitiaki of the maunga through the support of partnerships with Department of Conservation and Gisborne District Council.

Ngāti Oneone envisages a full 10 year transition plan, equipped with instruments to facilitate capacity and capability development within the iwi to fully realise this aspiration.

The skills and capability transferred to Iwi of Ngāti Oneone will create jobs and career pathways in guardianship of the maunga, including conservation education, guided tours, tourism experiences, increased employment, and development. A full outline of the Plan is included as an appendix to this document.

#### **Climate change and environmental sustainability**

Revegetation of Titirangi is well underway. The long term aspiration is to connect more people to the sentinel maunga, and at the same time provide 'guardian' programmes including planting programmes to ensure the maunga is fully restored with native vegetation as part of a 10-20 year plan.

57,000 native plants have been planted to date, replacing many hectares of pine plantation. Up to 800 school children and community members have participated every winter for the last three years. Increased productivity may come through the indirect opportunities of api-culture and matauranga Maori.

#### **Resilience**

The proposed bridge will provide safe access between Puhī Kai Iti - Cook Landing site and Titirangi via the Ruatanuika site.

Without a bridge, people will continue to try to cross Rakaiatane Road to move between one visitor destination and the other. This is highly dangerous.

Increasing visitor numbers will exacerbate this situation - impacting on visitor safety but also the Port's resilience and being able to ensure efficient connection from state highway 35 to the Port.

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| <p><b>Does your proposal support any other proposals, including any that have recently been funded, are being considered for funding, or may soon apply for funding?</b></p> <p><i>Explain the relationship between this and other proposals</i></p> | <p>This proposal is linked to the priority outcomes described in the Tairāwhiti Economic Action Plan (TEAP). It embodies our vision 2022 whereby <i>“Working together, Tairāwhiti will harness our natural and human resources to initiate transformative economic change.”</i></p> <p><b>Tairāwhiti Navigations Project</b></p> <p>The Tairāwhiti Navigation project includes major enhancements and new infrastructure surrounding the Inner Harbour and Tītirangi. This is possible because of \$14.6M investment from the following contributors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Te Kaunihera o Te Tairāwhiti (Gisborne District Council), Department of Conservation, and Ministry of Business, Innovation and Environment to deliver TEAP Action 5.3</li> <li>• Ministry of Business, Innovation and Environment through the Tourism Infrastructure Fund</li> <li>• Eastland Community Trust</li> <li>• Eastland Port</li> </ul> <p>This application will work with the current application before MBIE (as part of the TEAP), for the upgrade of the Cook Landing Site National Historic Reserve. This application is again a collaboration between Ngati Oneone, DOC and GDC with contributions of \$550,000 from DOC and a proposed \$1.0M from MBIE. Also, Council’s investment of \$1,300,000 to Titirangi restoration.</p> <p>Although this application and the Cook Landing Site applications are separate, the aim is for a wholly connected site from the summit of Titirangi Maunga to the Cook Landing site (Puhi Kai Iiti).</p> <p><b>Te Ha 1769 Sestercentennial Trust</b></p> <p>The proposal and the wider Tairāwhiti Navigations support the Te Ha 1769 Sestercentennial Trust work to develop the events surrounding <i>‘Tuia – First Encounters 250’</i> the Tier 1 Government event.</p> <p>The successful delivery of the three components described in this application will enable the Te Ha 1769 Sestercentennial Trust to deliver a three month programme of events and legacy projects.</p> <p><b>Gisborne Airport Terminal upgrade &amp; Navigations centre/ i-Site</b></p> <p>The proposal described in this application also has links to two ‘Gateway’ projects.</p> <p>These projects seek to ensure that all visitors, whether arriving by plane or road, will be greeted with by a City with its own unique look and feel that is distinctly ‘Tairāwhiti’ reflecting the regional bicultural fabric and navigational history.</p> |
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## Regional Connections

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| <p><b>What regions are covered by your proposal?</b><br/><i>Identify what region/s the proposal will benefit and how it will do this</i></p> | <p>This proposal covers the region of Tairāwhiti/Gisborne.</p> <p>The proposal will improve economic, employment, social inclusion and participation, Maori development and resilience outcomes for the region through the delivery of a unique regional value proposition.</p> |
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**What local support does your proposal have?**

*Have you discussed your proposal with local stakeholders (e.g. council, iwi/Māori groups, and regional governance groups)?*

*Did they support it? If not, why not?*

This proposal is a joint partnership between Te Kaunihera o te Tairawhiti -Gisborne District Council, Ngati Oneone and Department of Conservation who are working together to help realise mana whenua aspirations for the site (Titirangi, from its summit to the foot of the maunga (Puhī Kai Iti /Cook Landing Site).

Ngati Oneone, DOC and GDC are represented at project level and governance level for the proposed works through existing groups and supported by a Memorandum of Understanding. Council and Ngati Oneone are also in a Co-Management relationship, supported by an agreement for Titirangi reserve.

Workshops and Meetings for the Puhī Kai Iti (Cook Landing Site) upgrade which includes the 1000 year walkway and Ruatanuika site were held in February and March 2018 by the lead agencies GDC, Ngati Oneone, DOC together with engaged stakeholders to consider concept plans and garner support before moving towards Resource Consent stage.

**Engaged Stakeholders**

Engaged Stakeholders participating in these workshops were: Heritage New Zealand, Historic Places Tairawhiti, Activate Tairawhiti, Eastland Community Trust, Eastland Group, Eastland Port and Te Ha 1769 Sestercentennial Trust. Through these workshops a consensus view of the desired future state for the site was achieved as follows:

- Restore the spiritual, cultural and historical significance of the Maunga, and connect it to the land and the sky, linking it to the wider Navigators story
- Ensure there are the correct facilities to gather, share and teach for locals and visitors alike, respecting the context and history of the site
- Provide a facility that allows visitors to understand the story of the place, so that they have an authentic and culturally-appropriate understanding of what makes Tairāwhiti unique.

**The Tairawhiti Navigations Governance Group**

Tairawhiti Navigations Governance Group comprises local hapu and iwi (Ngāti Oneone, Rongowhakaata, Ngāi Tāmanuhiri, Te Aitanga a Māhaki and Ngāti Porou), Tairāwhiti Museum, Te Ha 1769 Sestercentennial Trust, Heritage Places Tairawhiti Trust, Heritage New Zealand, Eastland Community Trust (ECT), Department of Conservation and the Eastland Port.

The Tairawhiti Navigations Governance Group is chaired by the Project Champion, Mayor Meng Foon and have been meeting for 12 years. This demonstrates the strength of commitment and enthusiasm for the project within our community.

**The Heritage Interpretation project & Iwi advisory group**

Iwi support, guidance and input are the vital component to the success of Tairawhiti Navigations. The Heritage Interpretation project has been supported by an Iwi advisory group who have provided the stories and whakapapa that will bring the planned infrastructure elements to life. Without this significant input from iwi in sharing stories that have never before been told in a public setting the Tairawhiti Navigations Programme could not happen.

**Support from further afield**

Dame Jenny Shipley has provided strong advocacy for the project through her visits and letters of support.

**Are you using local governance processes?**

*i.e. existing local, regional and/or iwi/Māori governance processes*

| Local Governance Processes                            | Who/Role   | Responsibility   |
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| The Tairawhiti Economic Action Plan Governance Group: | Activate Tairawhiti, Kimihia he Oranga (KHO), Eastern Institute of Technology, Eastland Community Trust, Gisborne Chamber of Commerce, LeaderBrand Ngāi Tāmanuhiri Trust, Rongowhakaata Trust, Te Rūnanga o Tūranganui a Kiwa, Te Rūnanganui o Ngāti Porou, Gisborne District Council and local businesses | Provides an overarching governance direction for projects aligned to REDP. |

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|  | <b>Gisborne District Council</b>   | Full Council or Future Tairawhiti Committee   | Decision makers for Council budget decisions and new/closed projects.                                       |
|  | <b>GDC and Ngati Oneone Titirangi Co-Management Agreement/relationship</b> | Ngati Oneone Chair, Charlotte Gibson and GDC Chief Executive, Nedine Thatcher Swann   | Monthly meetings to make decisions on priorities, resourcing and delivery outcomes for Titirangi maunga.    |
|  | <b>Tairawhiti Navigations Governance Group</b>                             | Gisborne District Council - Mayor (Chair), Chair Community Development Committee, Chair Infrastructure Services Committee, CE (exofficio)<br>Iwi Chairs - Ngāti Oneone, Ngāti Porou, Te Aitanga A Māhaki, Ngāi Tamanuhiri, Rongowhakaata<br>Eastland Group Director<br>ECT Chair<br>Tairāwhiti Museum Chair<br>Historical Places Tairawhiti Representative<br>Te Ha Representative<br>Department of Conservation Representative | The Governance Group is committed to ensure an integrated approach to the Tairāwhiti Navigations programme. |
|  | <b>Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site Project Governance Group</b>             | GDC Chief Executive, Nedine Thatcher Swann, Ngati Oneone Chair Charlotte Gibson, Department of Conservation Lower North Island Operations Director Reg Kern   | The Project Governance Group provides overall strategic oversight and direction to the project.             |
|  | <b>Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site Project Team</b>                         | John Lucas, DOC Gisborne/East Coast Operations Manager, Nick Tupara Ngati Oneone representative, Kylie Dowding Council Project Manager, and De-Arne Sutherland Navigations (Council) Programme Manager  | The Project Team have responsibility for the creation and execution of the project plan and deliverables.   |

## Governance and Management

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| <b>What are the key milestones and outputs for the project?</b> | <p><b>Key Milestones</b></p> <p>Titirangi Summit</p> <p>Procurement</p> <p>Contractor Engaged</p> <p>Concept (10 weeks)</p> <p>Developed Design (8 weeks)</p> <p>Detailed Design (8 weeks)</p> <p>Resource Consent (20 Days)</p> <p>Building Consent (20 Days)</p> <p>Construction Commences</p> <p>Construction Completed</p> <p><b>1000 year Walk-bridge and Ruatanuika</b></p> <p>Concept Design</p> <p>Lodge Resource Consent</p> <p>Developed Design</p> <p>Detailed Design Cook Landing Site</p> <p>Detailed Design Bridge/Ruatanuika (funding dependent)</p> <p>Tender Preparation</p> <p>Tender Period</p> <p>Tender Review and Award</p> <p>Commence manufacture of bridge</p> <p>Installation of Bridge</p> | 9(2)(b)(ii) |
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| <p><b>How will the project be managed and governed?</b></p>             | <p>The projects outlined in this application will provide a meaningful connection from Titirangi Summit to Puhī Kai Iti (Cook Landing Site).<br/>The 1000 year walkbridge and Ruatanuika will be included as part of the Puhī Kai Iti (Cook Landing Site) upgrade project (CLS is already fully funded and underway).</p> <p>The Project team and Project Governance Group will guide and deliver the project consistent with a Memorandum of Understanding. An overarching Tairāwhiti Navigations Governance Group also provides a steer to ensure cohesiveness across all the project. The Tairāwhiti Navigations Governance Group meets quarterly with the following objectives to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ensure that the Tairāwhiti Navigations programme is delivered to maximise the stated benefits</li> <li>• optimise stakeholder engagement</li> <li>• Deliver programme on time, within budget and to the expectations of the customers.</li> <li>• Guiding and supporting the implementation of the Tairāwhiti Navigations programme</li> <li>• Actively promoting, endorsing and monitoring the Tairāwhiti Navigations programme</li> <li>• Having oversight of programme risks and approving risk mitigations as required</li> <li>• Providing a forum for exchange ng information and raising and resolving issues relating to the Tairāwhiti Navigations programme</li> <li>• Ensuring effective and appropriate linkage to related projects within Tairāwhiti</li> <li>• As individuals, reporting back to the respective bodies that one represents.</li> </ul> <p><b>PROGRAMME MANAGER</b></p> <p>The Programme Manager leads the teams across Tairāwhiti Navigations and includes Puhī Kai Iti (Cook Landing Site) upgrade, 1000 year walkbridge, Ruatanuika, and Titirangi Summit (along with the other four Council led projects being Inner Harbour redevelopment, Titirangi restoration, Historical Interpretations all in delivery phase, in developing, implementing and managing the project deliverables as specified in this project plan.</p> <p>The Programme Manager is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Driving the overall coordination of the programme</li> <li>• Developing, monitoring &amp; tracking benefits, change, dependencies, resources, integration, programme level risks &amp; issues.</li> <li>• Reporting on programme and project progress to the Sponsor and Steering Group including identification of any issues and links to other projects/ work Projects</li> </ul> <p>From time to time, a number of other members may be engaged to oversee and manage key projects throughout the duration of the project. However, the Programme Manager has specific oversight of the various activities.</p> |   |      |               |            |                      |  |   |   |   |   |
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| <p><b>Outline the procurement process</b></p>   | <p>Delivery of the three outputs in this application, being Titirangi Summit, 1000 year walkbridge, and Ruatanuika will be procured in two contracts.</p> <p>The 1000 year walkway and Ruatanuika will be tendered and contracted as part of the Puhi Kia Iti (Cook Landing Site) project and the Titirangi Summit will be tendered for construction under its own process.</p> <p>This is largely due to the former not being at design phase (still early concept stage). Both process will be managed consistent with Council's Procurement Policy 2011.</p> <p><b>Best practice</b></p> <p>The procurement process will follow best practice, including: An open tender process to award the construction contract (and design contract in regards to Titirangi Summit). A price quality method will be used to evaluate the tenders. Both projects will be tendered as their own discreet but complete packages of work to ensure economy of scale and a co-ordinated delivery approach.</p> |  |  |  |
| <p><b>If your proposal is funded, what happens once the funding is spent?</b><br/> <i>Is your proposal sustainable once funding from the Provincial Growth Fund ends?</i></p> | <p>As part of this kaitiakitanga, and in the spirit of the Titirangi Accord and subsequent co-management arrangements, the ultimate outcome would be for Ngati Oneone to become sole kaitiaki of the maunga through the support of partnerships with Department of Conservation and the local Gisborne District Council. Ngati Oneone envisages a full 10 year transition plan, equipped with instruments to facilitate capacity and capability development within the iwi to fully realise this aspiration.</p> <p>In the interim period the 2016 Titirangi Accord co-management agreement of Titirangi Maunga as a whole landscape remains with GDC with co-governance as a future aspiration, including returning ownership to Ngati Oneone.</p>   |  |  |  |

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## Project Operating Budget

| Mt Titirangi – Puhi Kai Iti Connection   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|  | Year 0<br>2015/16 | Year 0<br>2016/17 | Year 1<br>2017/18  | Year 2<br>2018/19  | Total               |
| <b>Expenditure</b>   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>Capital expenditure</b>   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>1000 year walk bridge:</b>  |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Design   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Construction   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>Ruatanuika Site:</b>  |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Design   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Construction   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>Titirangi Summit:</b>   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Design   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Construction - Building  |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Construction – Car parking, Landscaping  |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |                   |                   |                    | <b>\$8,966,000</b> |                     |
| <b>Operating expenditure</b>   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>1000 year Walk Bridge:</b>  |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Project Management   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>Ruatanuika Site</b>   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Project Management   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>Titirangi Summit</b>  |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| - Project Management   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |                   |                   |                    | <b>\$134,000</b>   |                     |
| <b>Co-funding secured source</b>   |                   |                   |                    |                    |                     |
| GDC - Titirangi Summit (concept)   |                   |                   | \$90,000           |                    | \$90,000            |
| GDC Titirangi Restoration  | \$502,000         | \$500,000         | \$298,000          |                    | \$1,300,000         |
| MBIE –TREP Funding (Action 5.3) - Cook Landing Site upgrade  |                   |                   |                    | \$1,000,000        | \$1,000,000         |
| DOC - Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site project site  |                   |                   | \$180,000          | \$370,000          | \$550,000           |
| Tourism Infrastructure fund (car parking in Inner Harbour and Titirangi and new tracks on Titirangi) |                   |                   | \$1,200,000        |                    | \$1,200,000         |
| Eastland Port– New track on Titirangi  |                   |                   | \$300,000          |                    | \$300,000           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>\$502,000</b>  | <b>\$500,000</b>  | <b>\$2,068,000</b> | <b>10,470,000</b>  | <b>\$13,580,000</b> |
| Capital funding required   |                   |                   |                    | \$8,966,000        |                     |
| Operating funding required   |                   |                   |                    | \$134,000          |                     |
| Funding shortfall (if any)   |                   |                   |                    | <b>\$9,100,000</b> |                     |



**Appendices**

**Mt Titirangi-Puhi Kai Iti Connection**

**Provincial Growth Fund Application**

**Concepts and Designs**

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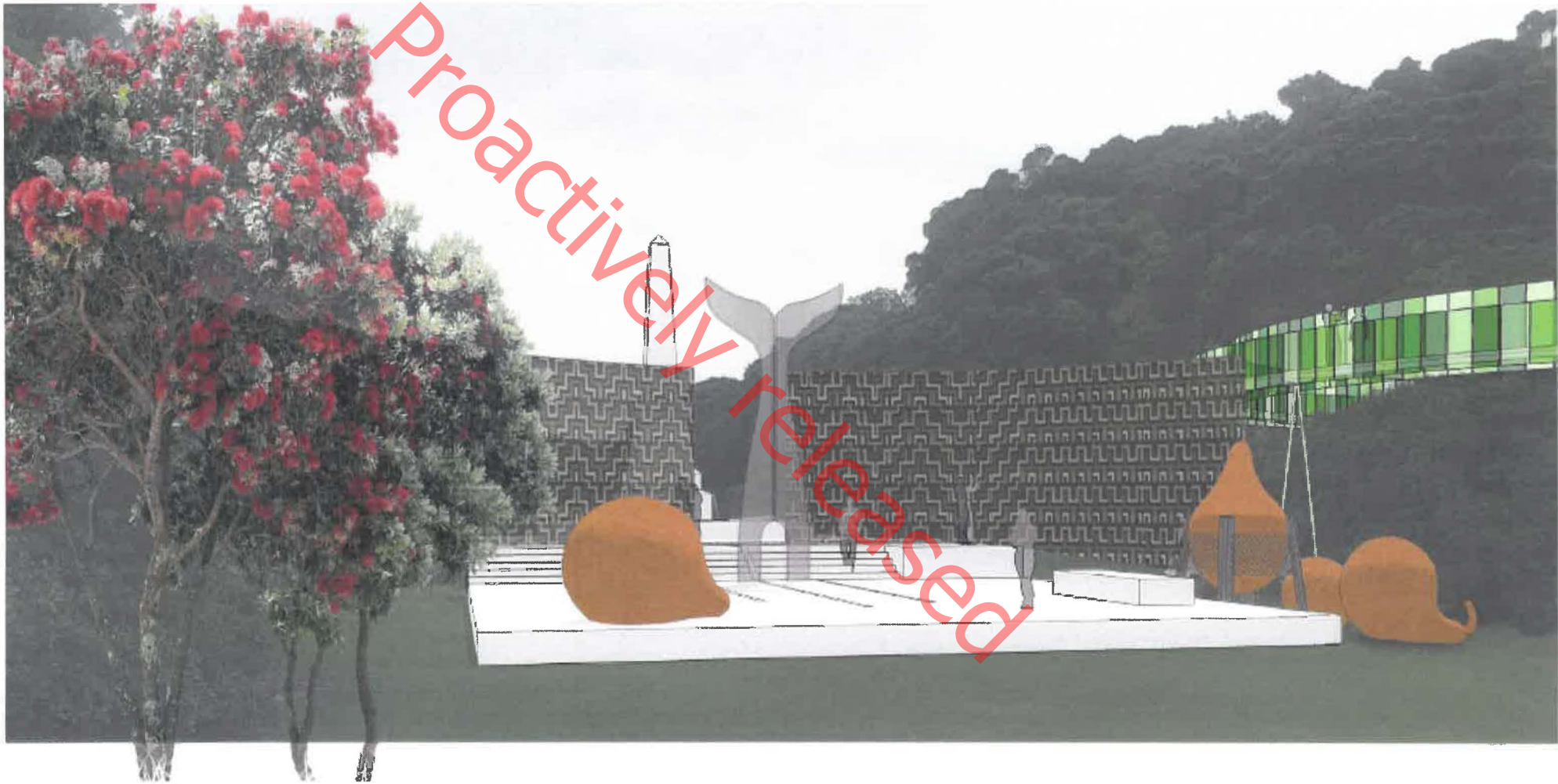
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## DESIGN COMPONENT – 1000 YEAR WALK BRIDGE

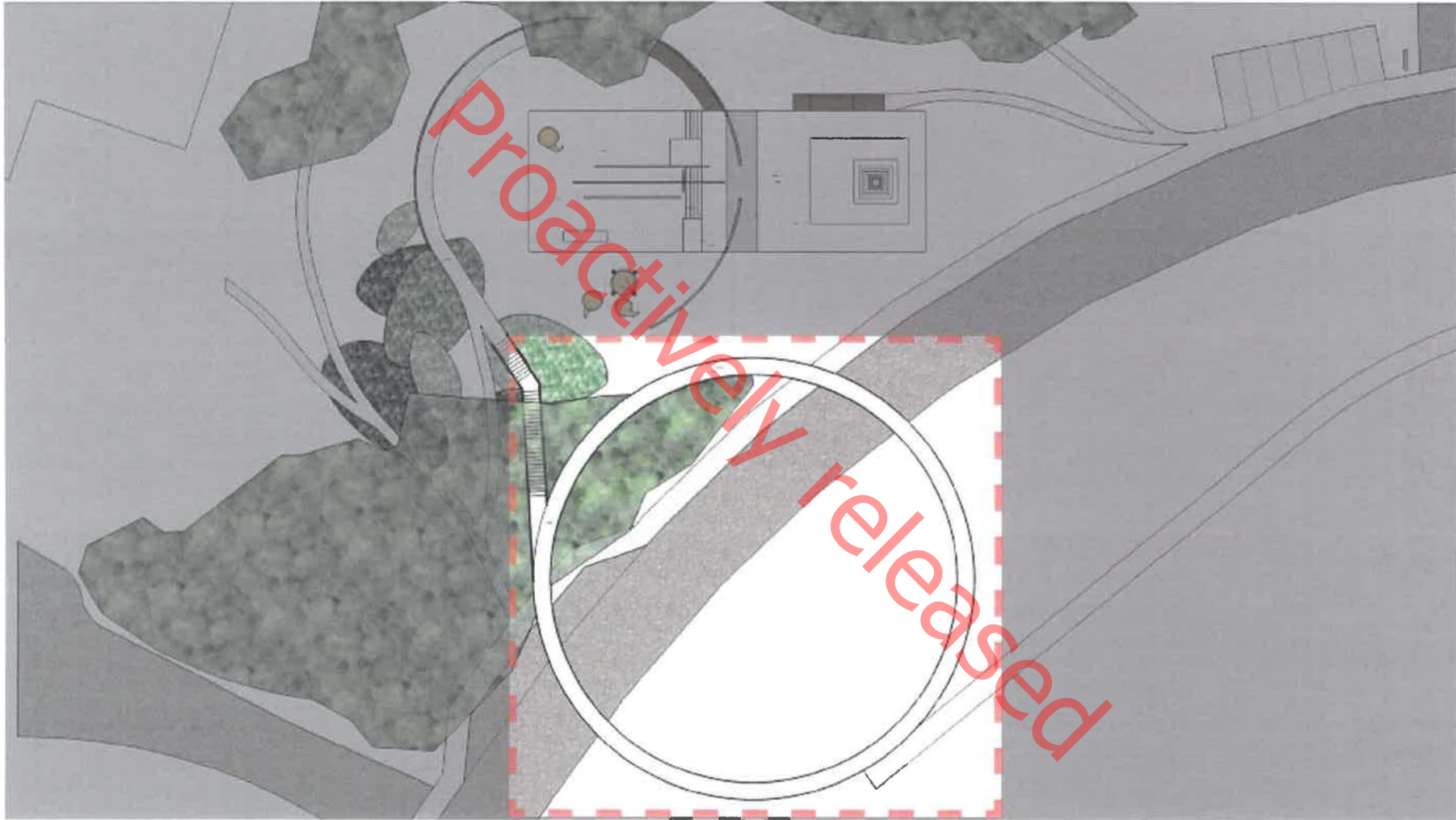
An iconic 360° degree '1000 years of Navigations' walk bridge across the Rakaiatane Road to connect Puhī Kai Iti (CLS) with Mount Titirangi. This bridge will be a first for New Zealand.





## DESIGN CONCEPT – STORYBOARD

The bridge will include depictions, designs and whakapapa representing 1,000 years of history and will be an iconic feature of the landscape.



## DESIGN COMPONENT – RUATANUIKA and TE MARO

### Walkway, lookout and commemorative feature:

**Ruatanuika:** The Ruatanuika gardens stood on the Kaiti side of the Turanganui River and had been used from the earliest of settlement times.

**Te Maro:** Te Maro was the chief of the area at the time that Cook made landfall at Turanganui-a-Kiwa. Much is written about Te Maro and his demise in relation to Cook, and not of his importance to his people. It was said that Te Maro was a great gardener, and a man of peace.



DESIGN COMPONENT – RUATANUIKA and TE MARO



## DESIGN COMPONENT – TITIRANGI SUMMIT

Includes new building's providing a multi-use Wānanga (learning/gathering space) panoramic viewing facility, car-park, new landscaping, signage and public furniture to support a unique visitor experience.







# Tairāwhiti Navigations

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## Tairāwhiti, Aotearoa is rich in history and culture.

The region witnessed the exceptional navigational feats of the first iwi, who arrived around the 13th century, and James Cook, who arrived in 1769. Turanganui/Gisborne then became the first meeting place of our two people.

The Tairāwhiti navigations project is a significant tourism initiative focused on making the unique Tairāwhiti history and culture accessible for local residents, plus national and international travellers.

### HISTORICAL INTERPRETATIONS

The historical and cultural stories of Tairāwhiti will be shared from sites around the inner harbour basin. They will take the form of a multi-media trail that embraces the landscape, the sea and the sky. These stories (taonga) have been shared by our local iwi, Te Aitanga a Mahaki, Ngati Oneone, Rongowhakaata and Nga i Tamanuhiri.

The heritage experience is part of a 4km easy walk (or 8km return) taking between 1.5 to 3 hours, allowing time to interpret and interact with key heritage trail installations along the way.

### 1 TITIRANGI MAUNGA RESTORATION

The restoration of Titirangi reserve in co-management with Ngati Oneone includes significant native planting with schools through the 'Titirangi Guardian' programme. New trails will be established from Titirangi to Kati beach, and stronger visual connections will be achieved between Titirangi and the Cook landing site/Puhi Kai Iki. Completion date 2019.

### 2 TITIRANGI SUMMIT AND OBSERVATORY

An exciting concept for a new or upgraded observatory is being considered. The big idea is to create a Tairāwhiti night sky experience that can also be accessed and explored during daylight. It will be a unique blend of mātauranga Māori and observatory-based perspectives underpinning the role of Titirangi in both ancient and contemporary celestial navigation.

An improved visitor arrival and parking area will also be created at the summit. This is the starting point of the heritage trail, with impressive views across the Pacific Ocean where the journeys of our great navigators will be identified. Target completion date 2019.

### 3 THE COOK LANDING SITE UPGRADE

Ngati Oneone, in partnership with the Department of Conservation, are redeveloping this national historic reserve (one of only two in New Zealand). This site will acknowledge the location of the eminent Whare Wananga Puhi Kai Iki and the landing site of the navigator Mala's waka. It also marks the arrival of James Cook and the Endeavour. The significance of the site will be commemorated through the installation of significant taonga and improved heritage interpretation. Completion date 2019.

### 4 INNER HARBOUR REDEVELOPMENT

This is an urban waterfront precinct that will be enhanced through landscaping, sculptures, green spaces and historical interpretations to create a thriving hospitality precinct. The inner harbour area will become a natural visitor destination, with parking and amenities located along the mid-point of the heritage trail experience. This is also a great place to start or finish. Completion date 2019.

### 5 TURANGANUI BRIDGE

This initiative will create an iconic destination site for Tairāwhiti. It will recognise Te Toka a Talau/ao, the sacred rock shell and mooring place for waka and the location of the first meeting between Māori and Europeans in 1769. A pedestrian bridge, completely unique to Tairāwhiti, will lead you across the Turanganui River to create a symbolic link to Te Toka a Talau/ao.

### 6 THE GLADSTONE ROAD BRIDGE AND PEDESTRIAN/CYCLE IMPROVEMENTS

Pedestrian improvements to the historic Gladstone Road Bridge will provide a safe and attractive connection along the heritage trail and from the CBD to the inner harbour as part of the city's cycle and walkway network. Target completion date 2019.



### 7 HAWAIKI TURANGA PROJECT

A beautiful Wahaioa sculpture and a carving of Rusapani, a paramount Chief of Turanga (Gisborne) and a common thread to all tribes of Tairāwhiti is located near the banks of Waikanae stream. These impressive sculptures will be located close to the proposed Turanganui Bridge. This project is being delivered by Rongowhakaata. Completion date 2019.

### 8 VOYAGING WAKA HOUURUA

The dream of the Tairāwhiti Voyaging Trust to secure and operate a Waka Hourua is now a reality. Construction is well under way on the new waka which will be named 'Tairāwhiti'. The anticipated launch is projected to be November 2017.

### 9 THE NAVIGATIONS EXPERIENCE CENTRE (NEW I-SITE)

Consideration is being given to a new I-Site building which would also serve as an 'experience' centre. This would become a welcome and a scene-setter for the Navigations walk. Visitors could then undertake a 'virtual' Navigations experience that would provide some context to the Navigations trail.

### 10 AIRPORT TERMINAL UPGRADE

The airport is a vital gateway to Tairāwhiti. With a terminal building dating back to the early 1960's, it's time for a major upgrade. We have the opportunity to develop the airport complex in a way that offers a unique welcome to visitors and locals returning home, from the moment they step off the plane. Various options are currently being considered, with improved facilities, better access and a distinctly themed building. The vision is to involve key stakeholders and the community in creating an airport that we can be proud of, and that reflects who we are as a region.

It is a bold and imaginative undertaking, driven by iwi and the community, that embraces several projects.