

# Te Tai Uru Meeting

Location:	Eastland Port Limited office, 2 Crawford Road, Gisborne
Date:	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2022
Time:	2.00p.m
Attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proffit, Reginald – Chair</li><li>• Marty Bayley, Eastland Port – MB</li><li>• Daniel Kingsford, Eastland Port – DK</li><li>• Ruby Murdoch, Eastland Port (Minute Taker) – RM</li><li>• Murray Palmer, Rongowhakaata – MP</li><li>• Samuel Lewis, Rongowhakaata – SL</li><li>• Athena Emmerson, Nga Tāmanuhiri – AE</li><li>• Cristal Bennett, GDC – CB</li></ul>

## Agenda items

### 1. Opening and clarification

The Chair declared the meeting open at 2.00 p.m welcoming everyone to the hui. Chair invited SL to open the hui with a karakia in which he did so. Individual introductions followed.

### 2. Project updates

#### 2.1 Wharf 7 Rebuild (Presentation showed on screen – pages 4 – 11)

MB talked to the Wharf 7 rebuild slides and gave a high level overview and stated the project is about to start with the site being established early April. MB acknowledged that McConnell Dowell will be starting to come on site at the end of the month. MB stated Eastland Port sent out all the project management plans to all parties of Te Tai Uru group and thanked everyone for reviewing and looking through them as they have been sent to Gisborne District Council. He stated most of these have been returned by now and shared the intention of all these management plans to be uploaded on the Eastland Port website in the coming months.

MB stated Eastland Port met with the Port community liaison group last week and shared with them the same presentation, acknowledging the noise and dust factors and the mitigations that will be put in place.

Chair spoke out to acknowledge a point AE made in the past regarding the communications being released to recognise the work hapū has done in conjunction with Eastland Port. He said they should be mindful of what happened at Waiheke and the protest. The chair then invited Athena to talk to this point.

Athena confirms this was a learning from the Waiheke situation and it is to show we are all working towards a common goal with the same values and to make sure this is communicated to the community. AE then stated the idea was for Eastland Port and Te Tai Uru to get together and get a photo with supporting communications to be released. MB thanked Athena for the suggestion and agreed this is a great idea and will look to get this organised. MB also

stated there is a story in the final draft stages about the collaboration between Te Tai Uru and Eastland Port and this will be shared once it had been finalised.

MB then continued to talk through the slides sharing the construction timeline and breakdown of each stage.

MB stopped to make note Eastland Port alongside McConnell Dowell made many adjustments and mitigations throughout the design process to ensure noise be as minimal as possible. MB also acknowledged the work that has taken place with the neighbours across the river in regards to this. There will be communications released around this relationship which will to be shared with everyone.

MB then continued to talk through the timeline slides and stage breakdowns and reassured that all risks and potential hazards have been researched. He stated that they felt very confident working with McConnell Dowell and reassured the meeting it was a mutual relationship and one he hoped would grow and develop in the future.

MB then continued on, talking to the slides and announced there will be a site blessing in the coming month – and suggested representatives from Te Tai Uru and Ngati Oneone would be invited to attend. MB then stated an invite would be sent out shortly and also mentioned Eastland Port would love to take all representatives on site to show them around.

SL asked MB how Eastland Port came to the site blessing decision. MB acknowledged the current divide between Te Tai Uru and Ngati Oneone and stated Eastland port is trying to be inclusive of all parties by giving all iwi representatives the opportunity to bless the project. SL expressed his concern that by doing this it will only add to the divide and tension and felt as if Eastland Port was giving particular recognition outside of this group referring to Ngati Onenone. SL then continued to express his concern by stating this decision came across as an insult and questioned why there was no prior discussions or engagement before the decision was made. MB responded to SL by expressing Eastland Port's frustration with the divide as well, but explained that they were trying to be as inclusive as possible and collaborate with all groups.

Chair then spoke up to recognise the fact that Ngati Oneone would join Te Tai Uru for the site blessing is positive news but stated the process and plan should be done collaboratively, with all parties input. Chair then proceeded to ask SL if Te Tai Uru would agree to the approach being acceptable if Eastland Port stated they are working with both parties. SL acknowledged the fact they are lacking the opportunity to all sit together and have a korero about this.

SL then continued to say instead of Eastland Port deciding how it should be done, there should be discussions going on and reassured MB that Te Tai Uru were good at doing blessings, it is what they do. AE spoke back to SL to state that they need to start an internal dialogue within the group and work out what they would suggest around this blessing process. The Chair then thanked AE for taking on the responsibility and suggested they report back to Eastland Port with their recommendations.

SL asks about the actions from the previous meeting and expressed his concern some actions are falling through the cracks – to which the Chair agreed, and stated the previous minutes will need to be revisited, to which MB agrees.

The Chair asked MB when was the proposed date for the blessing, to which MB responded with the end of March.

Chair asked if there were any further questions regarding Wharf 7, and if not, to move along.

## 2.2 Wharf 1 Tug berth and dredging (page 12)

DK started talking to the presentation slide regarding the Wharf 1 tug berth upgrade and relevant dredging. DK stated the application was lodged in September and no submissions were received, so they are working towards a decision soon. DK stated they were really trying to push this through before the new tugs arrive in July, but they won't be ready, therefore they are looking at doing some modifications on Wharf 6 to hold the tugs until they can be moved to Wharf 1. MP confirmed he has seen one application.

MP asked in the piling for Wharf 1 will be message and MB assures they won't be as they are steel piles and there are only about 6 – 8 piles.

### 2.3 Twin berth stage 2 (page 13)

MB stated they are in the final stages of finishing the Stage 2 application and that it is progressing well. He also mentioned they have been through all technical assessments and will be ready to lodge late March. MB ensures this application will be shared with Te Tai Uru at the same time. MB then went on to acknowledge that hapū will need to assess it against their frameworks and welcomes feedback once they have been looked at and hopes anything that has been missed can be identified.

MB acknowledged SL had sent through a framework earlier in the day and this will be reviewed and that iwi values will need to be recognised.

MB shared the plan around key topic brochures to be released in the coming months to recognise and communicate all the steps Eastland Port have taken regarding what is important to the community, and all mitigations that have been put in place. MB went on to say that of course these will be high level and you are welcome to dive deep into the reports, which will also be online.

### 2.4 Penguin Response (page 14)

DK stated Eastland Port are establishing a penguin management plan. They are working with Steve Sawyer from EcoWorks, who is a local with lots of experience including recent penguin work at Young Nicks Head. DK then followed explaining what the plan will include

- Establishment of new penguin habitat area on the seawall
- Establishment of penguin boxes
- Plantings in the area to shelter birds
- Provision of better penguin access to and from the water to the habitat area
- Predator control programs
- Securing the new habitat away from public access, in particular protecting them from dogs
- Relocation plan

DK also acknowledged Section 53 of the Wildlife Act permit and can confirm Eastland Port is abiding by this and the correct authorisation to handling the penguins. DK finished by saying the draft Penguin Management Plan will be circulated to Te Tai Uru for comment before it is approved and implemented.

MP asked where the new planting will go. DK responded by saying it is important that the penguins have shade as they can get too hot so if they can establish planting, they are thinking of moving some rocks at the top and will plant along that strip to provide the shade.

MB explained there has been quite a lot of politics around this subject but Steve Sawyer has confirmed that what Eastland Port have established so far is very good with plenty of room for the birds. MB stated the port however still wants to create a better place including fences to keep dogs away and to contain the penguins so they are safe. MB followed by saying he thinks the birds have found this new place and are loving life there but the port needs to

find a way to contain them so they can't get into where they operate. MB then states this will all be in the plan which will be shared with everyone.

## 2.5 Piers 4 and 5 Redevelopment (page 15)

DK briefly talked to the slide showing Pier 4 and 5. He stated this application was lodged in 2020 but was put on hold until late 2021 until the new tugs were confirmed. DK followed by explaining where the new berths will be and then talked about the process. He also stated no submissions have been received so they are just waiting on the council to make a decision now.

## 2.6 Slipway consolidation (page 16)

DK talked to the slide explaining the slipway requires modifications to its shape to enable the berthing of larger ships at the Wharf 7. He then explained the area highlighted on the photo is where the modifications will take place. DK finished by saying they are also taking the opportunity to undertake maintenance works to the river training wall that forms the remaining side of the slipway.

## 3. Update from Hapū (Cultural values and relationship framework)

Chair announced the movement to the hapū update. He acknowledged Angus Ngarangioe had sent in his cultural value relationship framework and as previously mentioned so had SL.

Chair invites SL to talk to his framework and share with the group. SL mentions this is his own framework, designed to be a placeholder but a good starting base. (Ka Hao Kupenga Framework) SL continues to talk through the values. MB thanked SL for providing the framework and assured it will be able to be applied to the application.

## 4. General Matters Arising

Chair mentioned to the group it was great to see the completion of consent were getting through. Chair wants to say it's great to see the completion of the consents work getting through and the frameworks come through from hapū.

MP asked if Eastland Port has reports on the stormwater discharge movements. DK confirmed they do and he can send them through but also mentioned they will be available via the website soon.

## 5. CLOSURE

Chair thanked everyone and stated it was great we are moving forward and learning together, he then asked SL to do a karakia to close. Hui closed at 3.24pm.

**ACTION TABLE – 23<sup>RD</sup> February**

<b>ACTION</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Responsible</b>
Photograph and communication around working together	To AE's point in 2.1 Marty to organise comms Internally and come up with a plan around the photo.	MB
Blessing dialogue (TTU internally)	In response to the point made in 2.1 and that TTU would like to have their own korero to discuss what they think is best.	AE
Action was missed from last meeting	SL mentioned there was an action missed from the previous meeting on the minutes so if he can get that together and send through to Marty and Andrew to discuss	SL