

Māori ICT Development Fund Hui – Tūranganui-a-Kiwa/Gisborne

Location	Tūranganui-a-Kiwa/Gisborne, 48 Esplanade, Gisborne.
Date	Friday 13 November 2015
Start time	10.20am
Karakia	Richard Brooking
Whakatau	Antony Royal (Chair, Expert Advisory Group)
Members of EAG	Antony Royal, Vanessa Clarke, Warren Williams
Attendance	Total of 47 people, including 3 Te Puni Kōkiri official, 1 MBIE official and 3 members of the Expert Advisory Group.
EAG presentation	Antony Royal (Chair, EAG) introduced the kaupapa gave some background/history of the Māori ICT Fund (Wai claim 2224 for spectrum) and introduced the members of the Expert Advisory.
<p>Workshop 1 & Report back</p> <p>What is possible?</p> <p>Your thoughts on our thinking for the long term objective (Create pathways to...)?</p>	<p>Summary of points from Workshop 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regions must benefit from Fund, not just main centres. • Fair to say that ICT is just one aspect of regional development. Gathering knowledge in bigger centres and spreading it to wider communities is key. • Connectivity is important for regions to have access to technology. • Use ICT to promote Māori knowledge. Education, access and connectivity. Create ICT hubs. • Enhance Māori digital economy. • Cultural maintenance using virtual platform. • Educate across generations, rangatahi engagement, capitalising kaumātua traditional knowledge. • ICT is a broad concept, leave open to interpretation. • Concentrate the Fund in Te Tairāwhiti first then roll out nation-wide. • Collaboration and partnerships and how the Fund can enhance those. • Understanding the value of collective knowledge to contribute to the development of an ICT vision for Te Tairāwhiti. • Connecting with whānau and indigenous peoples globally.

<p>Workshop 2 & Report back</p> <p>How can this be achieved?</p> <p>Your thoughts on our thinking for the outcomes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apprenticeships in the Region. • Encouraging Māori to access and participate in ICT. Encouraging existing and start-up Māori ICT businesses. • Projects that store taonga and kōrero, indigenising some of our processes. • Regional stocktake of local ICT skills • Who can apply for the Fund? What constitutes a Māori? • Producing, prototyping innovation. • What is value and who's value? • Jobs don't exactly equate to money. • Incorporating ICT into whakapapa and our stories. • The objective is to enhance Māori people using communications networks with ICT at the centre. • High numbers of rangatahi in this region. • How ICT can be used as an enabler for productivity. • Is there a role for regional decision-making? • What are the Principles for the Fund? To invest in regions vs main centres? Invest in future rather than current trends? What are the values of the Fund? • Should the fund be investing in existing or new business models? • Will the panel have the ability to suggest collaboration between applicants to the Fund? • Will there be seed funding for applications to the Fund?
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