MARAE DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY
INFORMATION SHEET

Tēnā koe! Tēnā koutou!

Thank you for your interest in the Marae Digital Connectivity project, which is funded through the Provincial Growth Fund ("PGF").

Applications for the Marae Digital Connectivity project are now open. To be eligible for the Marae Digital Connectivity project your Marae must complete the two-stage assessment process outlined below. The outcome of that assessment will determine the eligibility of your Marae.

As there is limited funding for the Marae Digital Connectivity project, completing the two-stage process does not guarantee that your Marae will receive funding under the Marae Digital Connectivity project. The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment ("MBIE"), The Provincial Development Unit ("PDU"), Te Puni Kōkiri ("TPK") and Crown Infrastructure Partners ("CIP") will make the final decisions regarding funding.

The two-stage assessment process is explained below:

Stages	Assessment Stage
Stage 1:	Māori Reservation Status
Stage 2:	Consent Form and Readiness Survey

Stage 1: Māori Reservation Status

Your Marae will need to be a Māori Reservation that has been set aside for the purposes of a Marae under section 338 Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993. The Māori Land Court is responsible for this process and you can find out more information about how land is set aside as a Māori Reservation here:

https://maorilandcourt.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Publications/MLC-maori-reservations-english.pdf

All that is required at this stage however, is to identify which Marae you are applying on behalf of, the name of the Trust that administers the Māori Reservation and then complete and return a Consent Form.

Stage 2: Consent Form & Readiness Survey

Two responsible Trustees of the Māori Reservation Trust will need to sign the Consent Form, indicating the Marae would like to be part of the Marae Digital Connectivity project.

By signing the Consent Form, you are indicating that your Marae is willing to:

1. Participate in the Marae Digital Connectivity project;
2. Permit Marae Digital Connectivity project Service Providers access to Marae land and buildings, to install the necessary hardware equipment to complete the Marae Digital Connectivity project; and
3. Take responsibility for the ongoing management of the installed equipment, manage how the broadband connection is used and be responsible for the ongoing broadband connection costs.

Your Marae will be assessed by Te Puni Kōkiri for Social and Cultural Readiness, based on the following criteria:

- Your Marae is a place where business activities or skills development will lead to improved employment opportunities for your community;
- Your Marae has a stable governance structure and membership;
- Your Marae buildings are fit for purpose and the facilities are safe and healthy;
- Your Marae is easily accessible by road; and
- Your Marae are involved in activities such as Te Kōhanga Reo, Papakāinga, Kura Kaupapa and/or Kaumātua flats.

Contact

All correspondence concerning the Marae Digital Connectivity project will be communicated to the Trust-nominated contact person provided in the Survey.

Opt Out or Withdraw from Marae Digital Connectivity project

If you and your Marae wish to withdraw from consideration under the Marae Digital Connectivity project at any time, please email: maraeconnectivity@tpk.govt.nz and provide the name of your Marae and the responsible Trustees that signed on behalf of your Marae.