

Tauākī Whāinga

Statement of intent



Whakapapa/Background

Hui E! Community Aotearoa was formed in 2014 and builds on the legacy of ANGOA (Association of Non-government Organisations in Aotearoa) and Social Development Partners.

Hui E! is a peak body for the tangata whenua, community, and voluntary sector in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The Trust Deed of Hui E! Community Aotearoa states:

"Te Tiriti o Waitangi must be visible and real in our community and our nation and embedded within our organisation, using a Treaty relationships framework."

Since its establishment, Hui E! has actively engaged in ensuring Te Tiriti o Waitangi is embedded in our organisation and our mahi. This Statement of Intent outlines how we will work to implement an enduring Treaty relationships framework.

Whakamōhiotia ana e Mātou We Acknowledge

Hui E! acknowledges that Te Tiriti o Waitangi (te Tiriti) was signed between Tangata Whenua and the Crown.

We are committed to the spirit of te Tiriti - a true partnership between Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti, which shares power equally, celebrates cultural difference, and collectively improves health and wellbeing for all without prejudice.

Tō Mātou Whakaaro Our Intention

Hui E! will:

- implement a Treaty Relationships model throughout our organisation, beginning at the governance level.
- develop and enhance our values and tikanga to reflect our intentions.
- model the behaviour of true partnership when leading mahi within the Sector.
- advocate for the Treaty Relationships model in all mahi we participate in.
- commit to continuous education, growth, and development in our knowledge and understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi; and share our learning with the tangata whenua, community, and voluntary sector in Aotearoa.

Hui E! acknowledges that our actions are supported by our shared values and guided by our agreed tikanga.

Ā Mātou Whanonga Pono Our Shared Values

We affirm our obligation to Te Tiriti o Waitangi through these values. Our values are grouped into Pou (values) and Kawa (pathway).

Ngā Pou represents the four pillars of our whare with its strong foundations. In recognition of the diversity of all the peoples and cultures that have woven Hui E! and keeping in mind the strength of the four values (Pou) that bind us.

Kawa is our pathway forward and our journey ahead. Moving from the world of disconnect into the world of light and awareness together.



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Ngā Pou Our Pillars

- Kaitiakitanga: Our duty, our heritage, our legacy that we are collectively responsible for protecting and enhancing.
- Manaakitanga: We rise by lifting others and we are thoughtful and caring in all our dealings with others.
- Ōritetanga: Making decisions together to achieve equity within the sector is at the heart of what we do.
- Hihiritanga: Doing things better and doing better things; we are curious and innovative, always striving for improvement.

Kawa Our Pathway

- Whanaungatanga: Together we are more, connected by a powerful common purpose, enriched by each other, and bound by mutual respect.
- Rangatiratanga: Excellence in all we do and growing leadership within the tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector.
- Manatika (Social Justice): Together we can address injustice and take care of our sector through advocating for tika, pono and aroha.
- Ata Wetewete: Through a process we will proceed with thoughtfulness and separate the threads to progress our work forward.

Ngā Tikanga Our Practices

The agreed Tikanga supported by the Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti houses are:

- There will be two houses: Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti with equal membership on a 50:50 basis.
- There will be shared leadership of the organisation between the Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti houses via Co-Chairs.
- Meetings will begin and end with karakia.
- Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti will be encouraged to caucus before and during meetings where a cultural difference is identified.
- There will be collective decision-making that operates on consensus rather than a voting system. This will encourage the articulation of diverse views rather than a single or dominant viewpoint.
- There will be a cooperative and shared relationship between Tangata Whenua and Tangata Tiriti when working on all issues of interest and concern to the organisation and on all matters that relate to the organisational support.
- There will be respect and agreement on timeframes.
- Priorities for the expenditure will be determined jointly.
- Work towards interactions with external organisations, including government and local government, that include participation of members from both houses.
- Public appearances and media interaction will be shared and reflect both world views to avoid one dominant world view over the other.
- Formal and informal relationship building will include members from both houses.
- The essence of partnership is about building relationships.