



# TE MANA O KUPE TRUST



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## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**1 APRIL - 31 MARCH 2017**

This is the third Annual Report of Te Mana o Kupe Trust, an education focused trust that was established in early 2014 in response to a desire from the Porirua learning community to invest in the digital education of children and their families in Porirua East. This report relates to the period from 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017.

I wish to take this opportunity to first acknowledge and thank Christian Katene, one of our Trustees who resigned during this reporting period. Christian, an accountant, was instrumental during his time as a Trustee in streamlining our accounting and financial processes. He devoted many voluntary hours to the Trust and remains a strong supporter of our kaupapa. Nei ra te mihi ki a koe, e te rangatira.

Also towards the end of this reporting period, in February 2017 the main driver and initial Chairperson of the Trust, Antony Royal, resigned as the Chairperson.

Fortunately, Antony remains as a Trustee and we continue to benefit from his passion, his ability to get things done, and his unwaivering commitment to the kaupapa of the Trust. I take this opportunity to thank Antony for his vision, guidance, leadership and commitment to the Trust as Chairperson from its inception. He mihi maioha ki a koe e te rangatira, tena koe.

The Trust has taken a number of significant steps during the reporting period to improve our systems and ensure that our tamariki and their whānau have equitable access to digital technology and associated learning. We have come a long way since our inception in 2014, but there is still further to go. What we have done, and what we plan to do, is set out in more detail in this report.

Many people contribute to the Trust. Our Trustees are all volunteers who give freely of their time and expertise. Our staff work tirelessly in pursuit of our objectives. The schools who participate in this initiative work closely with the Trust to ensure that our children and their families have every opportunity to participate in this ever-increasing digital world. The Trust's work is kindly supported by our financial sponsors, without whom this work could not be done. On behalf of the Trust I wish to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who is involved in what we do. E ai ki te kōrero, he toa takitini.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge our tamariki and whānau. Our time and energy is squarely focused on them. In a perfect world, our Trust would not exist - all of our tamariki would have equitable access to digital learning and there would be no such thing as a "digital divide", or a need for catch-phrases like "digital inclusion". However, we are not in a perfect world, and it remains as important now as when the Trust was established to ensure that our Porirua East tamariki are not left behind in the digital economy. That was, and remains, our primary purpose.

Ngā mihi

Damian Stone

Chair

Te Mana o Kupe Trust



## **MEET THE TRUSTEES**

### **DAMIAN STONE**

Damian is a partner in the law firm Kahui Legal. Specialising in commercial law, he has been in corporate and private practice since 1997 and is a recognised expert in Treaty of Waitangi matters, including acting as General Counsel for the Treaty of Waitangi Fisheries Commission. Damian contributes legal expertise and advice to the trust, on legal structures, contracts and a range of associated commercial matters.



### **ANTONY ROYAL (FOUNDING CHAIR)**

Ngāti Tamaterā, Ngāti Raukawa, Ngā Puhi  
Born in Auckland and brought up in the Hutt Valley, Antony has a degree in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from Auckland University. Antony has worked in the ICT sector for more than 20 years, both in the government and private sectors, on diverse projects, including with government ministries in finance, health and education. Antony has worked as Information Systems Manager for Te Puni Kokiri, Systems Architect for development of Health Informatics and payment processing systems and as Regional IS Manager, Global Infrastructure Manager and Web Development Manager for NZ Dairy Board (Fonterra). Since 1989, he has tutored at Te Wānanga o Raukawa, and has led a number of technology based educational initiatives. Antony is the Chair of Ngā Pu Waea, the Māori National Broadband Working Group reporting to the Minister of Māori Affairs and the Minister of Telecommunications. Ngā Pu Waea is particularly interested in developing skills and employment opportunities for Māori in the Telecommunications Sector. Previously he has sat on the board of 2degrees Mobile Ltd and currently sits on the Council of Whitireia and Weltec Polytechnic's. Antony has long had an interest in economic development, particularly in the technology sector.



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### **TRICIA WALBRIDGE**

Tricia Walbridge has been on the Te Mana O Kupe Trust Board since it was established in December 2013. In her professional life she is the Director of Development Strategy at Victoria University with a focus on fundraising. She is also a trustee of the Wellington Rotary Charitable Trust and was on the J R McKenzie Trust Board for 12 years. She has a strong commitment to community development, having worked prior to Victoria for the YWCA, the WEA and Corso. She has three adult children based in New York, Mexico and Auckland and is a keen cyclist and tramper.



### **DON RANGI Q.S.M**

TheNgati Porou  
ICANZ (now re-branded) [TA Retired]. Born at the Waipiro Bay Hospital on the East Coast. Educated at Waiomatatini Native School (1946-1950) and Tiki Tiki Maori District High School (1951-1958). Don moved to Wellington in 1959 for employment prospects, commencing work as a Public Servant in the Treasury. He retired from the Treasury in 2013. He is Chaplain at the Capital Coast District Health Board, Wellington; and an Archdeacon of the Haahi Mihingare faith in Poneke Rohe.



### **CAROLINE MARIKO**

Coordinator for the Central South Region for the Ministry of Education  
and later became a Review Officer for the Central Region in the Education Review Office. In 2010, Caroline was appointed the Pasifika Coordinator for the Wellington Region Free Kindergarten Association and is now the Senior Manager – Communities and Participation for the Association.

## **PURPOSE, VISION AND KAUPAPA**

### Purpose

To promote and lift educational achievement through developing digital citizenship in the Porirua East cluster of schools.

### Mission Statement

To promote educational development of all people in the rohe through developing capacity of children, whānau and families and promoting learning for life.

### Kaupapa

The Trustees will work with kaupapa inherited from our tūpuna to enhance our relationships with one another and to achieve the aspirations of the educational community.

These kaupapa are guiding principles and values of te kākano i ruia mai i Rangiatea and are appreciated as taonga tuku iho over which we are guaranteed tino rangatiratanga under Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

These kaupapa will be expressed in the following ways

### Manaakitanga

Maintaining mana-enhancing relationships with each other as the Trustees, and all others with whom we develop relationships, upholding their mana and our own.

### Rangatiratanga

Expressing the attributes of a rangatira, including: humility, leadership by example, generosity, altruism and knowledge of benefits to people; acting unselfishly towards one other; ensuring all decisions are made amicably for the benefit of all.

### Whanaungatanga

Kinship, including the rights and reciprocal obligations that underpin whānau, hapū and iwi will inform the Trust. A wider community provides support, assistance, nurturing, guidance and direction.

### Wairuatanga

Nourishing the wairua of all people; managing and promoting relationships that enrich and enhance our wellbeing, and the wellbeing of those with whom we work.

### Ūkaipōtanga

Establishing and enhancing community relationships with the Trust, acknowledging the strength and energy we gain from our sense of place.



### Pūkengatanga

Promoting excellence in the advancement of Mātauranga Māori, digital literacy and other academic areas of learning; each rūpū maintaining a high standard of quality and excellence in all areas; promoting the success of the Trust and educational achievement in the community.

### Kaitiakitanga

Preserving and maintaining the existence of the Trust to fulfil its purpose and functions; upholding the uniqueness of each kura and school; fulfilling obligations to the Trust, and kura and school communities.

### Te Reo

Ko te reo te kaupuri i te Māoritanga: whāia kia mau. Promoting and advancing teaching and learning in Te reo Māori; curriculum and content development in te reo Māori.

### Whakapapa

Promoting relationships and benefits that acknowledge the multiple relationships and obligations to one another.

## **YEAR IN REVIEW**

### **Introduction**

This is the third annual report of Te Mana o Kupe Trust, established in 2014 by the Porirua community to reinvest and focus on digital education in Porirua.

The Trust works closely with its sister trust, Te Reanga Ipurangi Ōtaki Education Trust, which operates a similar community driven programme in Ōtaki. Over the past three years both Trusts have been generously supported financially by the JR McKenzie Trust, the Todd Foundation, Lottery Grants and, TG Macarthy Trust. This funding has been used to support the Trust and its objectives, including to fund administration costs and staff wages to deliver our programme to our communities. The Trust wishes to express its deepest gratitude to its financial supporters.

### **Governance**

The Trustees of the Trust are volunteers. They give of their time freely to the Trust because they are passionate supporters of our kaupapa. During the reporting period, Christian Katene stood down as a trustee. Since the end of the reporting period, Dame Fran Wilde also resigned as a trustee on 1 April 2017. Dame Wilde was a founding trustee and contributed significantly to the Trust during her time as a trustee. We acknowledge Dame Fran Wilde's and Christian Katene's experience and contributions to the Trust. Our founding Chairperson, Antony Royal, resigned as the Chairperson during the reporting period. Antony remains a Trustee. Damian Stone, a lawyer who grew up in Porirua East, has been elected as the new Chairperson of the Trust.

### **Management**

Shirley Simmonds completed an evaluation of the establishment of the Trust providing valuable reflections from the staff, schools, trustees and volunteers. It provides a set of worthwhile recommendations to the Board.

Towards the end of the reporting period, the Trust's General Manager resigned. Together with the report from Shirley Simmonds, the Trustees took the opportunity to review its staffing requirements and streamlined its staffing operations.

### **Key achievements during the reporting period**

Our key goals for the reporting period, and how we achieved them, is set out on the following page:





The next 12 months:

Our key goals for the next reporting period (1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018) are as follows:

Reconfirm the commitment of our Porirua East schools to the digital empowerment strategy of the Trust:

Seek additional funding for the Trust, acknowledging that our first three years of funding is about to end and the likelihood of funding being repeated is minor.

Further consolidate our operational and management systems, with a focus on streamlining our staffing requirements  
Continue to seek the appointment of new trustees to the Trust

Reassess and update our Strategic Plan  
Develop meaningful WIFI opportunities within our community

Continue to seek research into the effectiveness of the digital empowerment strategy of the Trust

Develop a communications plan to better publicise the work of the Trust in order to seek ongoing funding for the Trust

Financial Review

This has been completed by Accounting for Charities for the 2016-2017 Financial year.