

Submission on

Te Ara Tipuna Trail Application

Form 13

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250139353
Submitted on	2025-01-24T10:12:47.2946765+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

As a landowner of lands that will be affected by this proposal I oppose everything applied for by Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust without my consent. It is my responsibility to ensure the protection of papakāinga left to me from my Tipuna o Te whanau A Rākairoa ki Waipiro.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

In alignment with my obligations as an Kaiteiki of our whenua the reasons for my opposition are as follows ;

We do not want / condone strangers having any access to our lands.

Who is liable if there's accidents or people get injured on the walkway.

What health and safety procedures will be in place to ensure landowners aren't liable for incidents caused by the walkway.

Who is responsible for the maintenance and costs of maintenance for the walkway.

What rights do landowners have when it comes to rates/costs and insurance or acc.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

To ensure the Council makes a decision based on upholding Te Tiriti partnership of tangata whenua and crown /council, We are the landowners, Council are the agents to ensure that correct procedures are followed based on the law, Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993 administers Māori land, Not council.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

We fully OPPOSE the ENTIRE application and its purpose, which is not for the best interest of our land, people, communities.

We were not notified nor informed of this application prior to Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust making application for resource consent , which is disrespectful of all of us land owners who will be affected.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

The process and actions of Te Ara Tipuna Trust and its Trustee's are concerning and are being investigated externally which has raised trust issues within Te Tairāwhiti and its leadership within the Iwi and trusts.

Lack of transparency, lack of notification to the land owners , the landowners have all the authority when it comes to affecting or disturbing papakāinga.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Gisborne Council do not have the right to give out any consents affecting Māori Customary Whenua and their land owners, That authority is with the hapū of the rohe. Based on our Tikanga validated by our whakapapa (Our intrinsic affiliations to the land).

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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Reference Number	RCS250139648
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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	neutral	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

In entering an arrangement with Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust, there is concern about the impact of the easement instrument to grant easement for use as a walkway referred to as Section 109 Land Transfer act 2017 and section 26 Walking Access Act 2008. Trustees of AkuAku A10 has been identified as a potentially affected party for this Resource Consent application. This may mean that the trail is proposed over our property or close by properties affected by this proposal.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Legal Title is 288492, the Block Name is AkuAku A10 (part AkuAku A10) and covers an area of 14.2 ha. The land is covered by old crop forestry, scattered wilding pines but the majority of the area is scrubland. There is a place or urupa of special significance to the descendants of Te Whanau-a-Rakairoa on this property referred to as AkuAku A4L. This urupa has existed since the late 1800's and there are no plans to extend the boundary. The Trustees of AkuAku A10 (part AkuAku A10) have restricted the use and access to the whenua for non-owners but allow for burial practices at least for the next 5 years. There are plans to develop a papakainga for the descendants of the shareholders. There is a roadway corridor alongside the property and can provide for people to walk or drive past each day.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I ask that the Gisborne District Council improve or upgrade the roading corridor for everyone who uses this roadway. There has been no significant improvements for KieKie Road and Parapara Road for the past 20 years or more. The community, landowners and users of the Waipiro Bay and Kopuaroa Roads held a hui at Iritekura Marae with staff of the Gisborne District Council in 2024; as yet there has been no significant changes or improvements to the concerns of the people.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes
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Reference Number	RCS250140723
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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the part where the trail proposes to cross over our whenua and land block named Orete A & B No 2 B1.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

The reason for making my submission is because I am a landowner of this land block and I do not agree or give consent for our land block Orete A & B No 2B1 to be used as a walk track for Te Ara Tipuna Trail. Our land block is our land and this block is private whenua with a urupa site. It is very disrespectful and culturally insensitive that the trail proposes to cross in front of our family urupa.

Our block is also a Ahu Whenua Trust. Our whenua will be handed down to future mokopuna who whakapapa back to it and is not going to be used for strangers to walk past our urupa or vegetation.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I wish the Gisborne District council to withdraw all applications by Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust, where the proposed trail crosses over, access or egress on Orete A & B No 2 B1, as this will directly affect the rights of Shareholders, beneficial owners to the exclusive use of our whenua. We are kaitiaki of our whenua and as such, we hold this in 'care' for our whanau, mokopuna and generations to come.

We do this with the utmost belief and sincerity, at no time do we permit, allow, for any activities to occur on our whenua without our consent or permission.

This is non negotiable.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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Reference Number	RCS250141096
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Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Grew up as kids swimming diving beach kai hakari (feast) down bottom of our homestead to Peria point, my grandmother and parents taught us all how to dive and push the sting rays away where we were swimming, this has been our whanau land and paradise since World War II, our grandfathers went to war to fight for our own land and not have it given away to an company who will allow foreigners that WILL walk around on anyone's property. That's a NO for me and my tamariki me nga mokopuna (and my grandchildren)!!

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

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Reference Number	RCS250141101
Submitted on	2025-01-25T09:02:49.3857051+13:00

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
It is a breach of Te Tiriti o Waitangi, this should be opposed to by all who concerns.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
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Reference Number	RCS250141103
Submitted on	2025-01-25T09:05:28.7582921+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
<p>Several valid concerns:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Environmental Impact 2. Property Rights 3. Safety Concerns 4. Maintenance and liability 5. Community impact 6. Aesthetic Value 7. Cultural insensitivities
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
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Reference Number	RCS250141111
Submitted on	2025-01-25T09:12:02.3123567+13:00

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
our children deserve to play on the beach safely alone like how we did as children, unfortunately this world isnt what it used to be. With offenders facing convictions while still walking free or are now free is a huge concern as the numbers are high with child convicts charged daily here in Aotearoa. We will not feel well to have our children roam on their own whenua, if their is a council pathway infront of our house on our land, our mokopuna and children deserve to same childhood that every generation on our whenua has experianced so far, with no threat and worry about the public passing by our children.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
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3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

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Reference Number	RCS250141216
Submitted on	2025-01-25T11:30:25.7766612+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the entire application that disturbs the interests of my children and mokopuna in the lands that are directly affected by this application.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
To ensure my voice and opinion are considered and heard in opposition to this application.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I would like to know that Gisborne City Council makes decisions that are fair and based on the wishes of the land owners who will be affected.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
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Reference Number	RCS250141222
Submitted on	2025-01-25T11:34:44.9221007+13:00

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the entire application
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
To inform Gisborne District Council of my opposition to this application that directly affects my Whenua. And also I do not give consent for any application to be made without my knowing.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I would like to know that Gisborne City Council makes decisions that are fair and based on the wishes of the land owners who will be affected.

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Submitted on	2025-01-25T15:56:30.2845675+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Submitted on	2025-01-25T14:03:43.031337+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
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I do not support complete strangers having access to my whenua and property.

I do not support any application that will disturb or disrupt my whenua and property.

I do not want liabilities or accountability and will not be responsible for any damage caused , accidents that may happen or injuries caused to people should there be a walkway or trail.

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To inform Gisborne District Council of my opposition to this application that directly affects my whenua.

To also inform Gisborne District Council that I do not give consent for any application to be made without my knowledge or input by any outside party/trust that includes or affects my whenua.

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Submitted on	2025-01-25T14:24:14.1421095+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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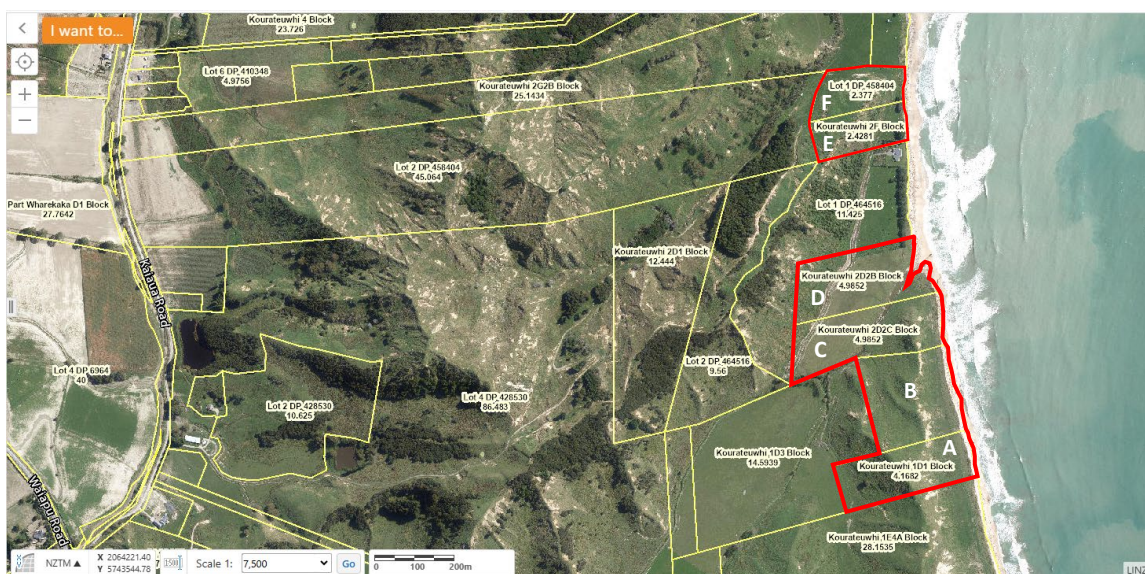
Section 96 of the Resource Management Act

To: GISBORNE DISTRICT COUNCIL
Resource Consents Division
PO Box 747
GISBORNE

Person making Submission

1. This submission is made by Ian Luscombe, Lori Luscombe and Karaka Bay Estate (**the Submitters**). Karaka Bay Estate is owned by Ian and Lori Luscombe. The Estate includes several appellations adjoining the Karaka Bay foreshore which are tabulated below and depicted in the following image.

PARCEL IDENTIFIER	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	LAND AREA	RECORD OF TITLE	VALUATION REFERENCE
A	Kourateuwhi 1D1	4.1682	GS3A/864	08170-35220
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C	Kourateuwhi 2D2C	4.9852	GS2C/431	08170-35222
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E	Kourateuwhi 2F	2.4281	GS117/114	08170-35224
F	Lot 1 DP 458404	2.3770	596412	08170-35218



The appellations subject to this submission (**the Properties**) are those labelled B, C, D, E & F in the above Image.

Submission on

2. This is a submission on an application by Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust (**the Applicant**) for regional and district level resource consents. The consent authority having jurisdiction over the properties is the Gisborne District Council (**GDC**) which has assigned the references DL-2023-112074-00, LR-2023-112076-00, LL-2023-112077-00 and LV-2023-112078-00 to the resource consents application.
3. The application is to *“construct, operate and maintain a pathway for pedestrians, to be known as Te Ara Tipuna (Stage 1), from Gisborne around the coast to Ōpōtiki”* (**the Trail**). Stage 2 of the proposal relates to the further development of the Trail to accommodate cyclists and horse riders. The stage 2 works will be subject to a separate resource consent application that may be lodged later.
4. The types of resource consent for the Stage 1 proposal are bundled for assessment as a Discretionary Activity. The application confirms additional Stage 1 resource consents may be identified, which will be assessed through separate processes.
5. There are no RAPID addresses assigned to the Properties.
6. Ian and Lori Luscombe and Karaka Bay Estate are not trade competitors for the purpose of section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991.
7. The submitters oppose the application as it relates to their properties (Part A of this submission), and have concerns regarding other aspects of a more general nature (Part B of this submission).
8. While this submission relates to the entire application, the parts the Submitters specifically oppose or wish to have clarified or amended are described below with reasons.
9. The application for resource consent has been conceived over a considerable period of time. The notification report notes the desire of the Applicant to now expedite the decision process by seeking that the notification period be restricted to the minimum statutory period. The report notes the decision by GDC to extend that period by a further 5 working days to account for the nature of the application process and the remote nature of the communities and the number of landowners involved.
10. The Submitters appreciate the consideration, but confirm the submission period, together with the timing over the Christmas/New Year holiday period, has not been sufficient to enable the full actual or potential effects of the proposal to be accurately assessed. The Submitters therefore reserve the right to raise concerns additional to those addressed in this submission.
11. The reasons for this submission are expanded under the following headings.

PART A

LANDOWNER APPROVAL

12. The application report, assessment of environmental effects and several supplementary reports all refer to the need for the Applicant to negotiate with and obtain the consent of the owners of private land over which it proposed to construct the Trail. The Submitters are totally opposed to the construction of the Trail over 4¹ of the 5 appellations it owns and consider that there is no amount of incentivisation that can overcome its concerns in this regard. It considers the appropriate and best course of action for the Trust to achieve the outcomes it seeks, would be to re-route that portion of the Trail so that it does not traverse the Properties.

PART B

SECURITY & THE "PASSPORT" SYSTEM

13. An increase of theft and vandalism of the Submitters' property is a real and substantive issue based on past experience and which transgress a general perception fear. The Submitters report many past instances of theft (farm bikes, fuel, sheep etc.), vandalism and fires within the Properties. Following the implementation an Access Management Plan these occurrences ceased. Forming a public access over its properties has the potential to increase these adverse effects.
14. There are numerous references in the application and supplementary material to the implementation of a kawa, code of care, uru whenua, oati, passport or similar mechanism "*to maintain the land, relationships and the experiences of land owners, iwi kainga, manuhiri and affected parties*" to provide "*a principled commitment of safe and welcome passage, by both guest and host alike*". Aside from these and similar generalised comments, there is no detail provided of the protocol or how it may be enforced, which gives the Submitters any comfort that such a mechanism will be effective in addressing their concerns in this regard.
15. The Submitters agree with the comment in the application "*that the formation and use of a public walkway in remote rural locations may give rise to concerns over loss of privacy, theft and vandalism and interference or restrictions on rural production/farming activities.*"

¹ Acknowledging the Trail traverses an eroded section of Kourateuwhi 2F.

16. However, the Submitters consider that the recommended mitigation to provide a 50m wide corridor within properties zoned Rural Zone and 20m for all other sections of the Trail will not be an effective method to address the concern. (The Submitters' Properties are zoned Rural General).

HEALTH & SAFETY

17. Allied to the above concern is the matter of the health and safety of Trail users within the environment of a working sheep and beef farm. The AEE notes that approximately 90% of the track will remain "*relatively untouched*" with the "*track composition to emulate that of a farm track*". Contrast this statement with others in the application detail including "*The pedestrian trail treads very lightly on the land, with 90 percent of the trail being wayfaring across paddocks, hills and beaches in their natural state*". [emphasis added].
18. What these statements actually mean is unclear because no further detail is provided. The proposal relies on terms such as "sits lightly" and "low key" and the visual and landscape assessment notes the intent to limit the use of trail markings to minimise visual impacts. Other sections refer to formed tracks and in some cases hard surfaced carriageways with enhancements. The Submitters consider there is insufficient information to assuage their concerns that users will be sufficiently aware of the route alignment, and even if they are, will confine their passage to it. There are many hazards on a working farm and there can be no assurances that users would be safe either within or beyond the designated route.
19. Furthermore, the application is silent on how discrete sections of the Trail would operate if individual landowners imposed their own limitations (for example requesting no access during the lambing season). How disjunctive restrictions can be practicably implemented over discrete sections of the Trail in remote areas, is not adequately addressed.
20. The Submitters make the point that when property access is controlled, issues may still arise but they are manageable. With open public access, it is not possible to exercise the same degree of control or to make contingency arrangements.
21. The Recreation Assessment report concedes that unintended consequences that will come with the increased accessibility to recreational activities from the proposal, including increased health and safety risks. The report advises that consideration will need to be given as to how these are best managed and mitigated, but no meaningful detail is provided.

COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS

22. Unless carefully regulated, the environmental impact of increased public use of areas of the beach at Karaka Bay could be severe and beyond the capacity of this fragile ecosystem to sustain. The Submitters have invested a considerable sum of money in erecting and maintaining fences to keep stock off the beach and in planting a significant amount of spinifex to protect the fragile dune system.
23. Erosion is an issue due to the high tides and frequent storms that are experienced at Karaka Bay as evidenced in the position of the beach relative to cadastral property boundaries. When the tide is high, there is little to no beach and anyone wanting to traverse this area would need to use the fragile dune system, potentially causing significant damage.
24. Although the application was amended to authorise pedestrian use only, how the trail will be regulated to ensure this restriction is upheld is unclear and the long-term intent is to expand the use to include cyclists and horse trekking which will only exacerbate the issue.

ADEQUACY OF INFORMATION

25. Schedule 4 of the Resource Management Act sets out a number of obligations pertaining to resource consent applications, relative to the scale and significance of the effects the activity may have on the environment. The scope is prescriptive, with emphasis on the adequacy of the information and the intent is to ensure that interested parties have a reasonable understanding of the proposal and the consequential environmental effects on them.
26. The proposal is extensive and significant, noting the length of the trail is around 500 kilometres. Many district and regional level resource consents are triggered under coastal management provisions, for land disturbance, land and water discharges, vegetation clearance, works in and spanning riverbeds, culverting, activities within riparian areas, discharge of solids near to significant waterbodies and habitats and works in or near Natural Heritage Overlays. There are activities proposed in the Coastal Marine Area and the adjacent terrestrial areas and in natural hazard areas.
27. Although the application has been scaled-back to exclude the development of the trail to serve cycling and horse riding activities, to adequately address all of these requirements collectively in a single resource consent process is ambitious.

28. The reality is that the project is simply too large to accurately assess the actual or potential adverse effects that may arise, the relevant statutory planning instruments and the associated objective and policy frameworks.
29. The challenge is freely acknowledged in the assessment of environmental effects and the supplementary reports. The consenting approach as outlined in the AEE, is to seek global approvals and to leave management plans to address the effects as more precise detail emerges through the implementation stages. While the AEE claims that the proposed conditions of consent “*prescribe clear objectives and outcomes of each management plan to ensure that effects on the environment will be appropriately managed,*” this confidence is not reflected in the conditions suggested.
30. In effect, the application proposes to elevate the use of management plans from a process to certify that the conditions of a consent have been met, to a de facto method to assess the environmental effects of the activity as those details are confirmed through the more detailed investigation post consent phase. The approach is also reflected in the management plans for landscape and visual effects, ecology, construction and heritage.
31. Further highlighting the information deficit, some supplementary reports include recommendations based on other reports yet to be prepared at the time (for example the L&VEA refers to a Construction Management Plan still to be developed at the time of writing).
32. The approach makes it difficult for the Submitters to gain a reasonable understanding of the effects of the proposal. The limitations of the high level approach are noted in the L&VEA at various places:

Features to be confirmed (which are not included in the concept design and are not assessed in this report) may include vertical timber or concrete clad retaining walls as needed, additional car parking facilities, fencing and bollards, lighting and seating and other structures to be confirmed in a future overall narrative and identity strategy and to progress mahi toi and wayfinding and interpretation elements. The LMP provides high level guidance recommendations relating to these elements...

Given the scale and stage of the Project, this assessment has not included a comprehensive gap analysis of planning document landscape values. However, additional values, considered relevant to the LVA and best practice assessment, have been drawn from site observations and desk-top study, including the observations made by other specialists on the Project, and as informed by the project planning team

similarly, a review and gap analysis of existing natural character values (refer to the definitions in Appendix A) has not been included in the assessment, due to the scale of the Project.

The overall approach for assessment has been driven by the scale and stage of the Project. Baseline evaluation and assessment of effects is provided at a high level, as appropriate to the Project’s 500km length, and the Proposal’s focus at this stage on providing an appropriate alignment, appropriate “typical” design guidance for key built elements (using “typical” cross-sections); and management of potential adverse effects through a suite of management plans (assumed to be conditioned to any consent granted).

The LVA does not provide ratings of effects against the NZILA 7-point rating scale. Such an assessment would require sufficiently detailed plans showing the spatial arrangement of path types and the general nature and extent of earthworks and vegetation removal in each Stage. 3.14 Similarly, it follows that a detailed assessment against statutory planning provisions is not included in this high-level LVA.

The LMP also includes recommendations for further investigations post consent to further avoid adverse effects and build in positive effects....Overall, the findings in this LVA are to carry out further investigation to confirm the number and type of bridges required for the project in each catchment and to consider the need to avoid additional adverse natural character effects.

33. Similar themes can be found in some of the other supporting supplementary reports. The Submitters concerns in this regard are not criticisms of the assessment methodologies of the supplementary reports, which are considered entirely understandable given the approach taken in the application. However, leaving more detailed assessments to a process stage where submitters have no further input is considered to be inappropriate and not in keeping with the public participation objectives of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).

OTHER EFFECTS

34. There is a limited assessment of the environmental effects of the proposal, which seems to rely extensively on an adaptive management plan approach as the detail of the proposal is confirmed post consent phase. For example, apart from some very generalised comments about earthworks and water discharges, the matters are not addressed at the appropriate level of detail expected in the assessment of environmental effects.

CONSULTATION

35. While there is no obligation on the part of the Applicant to consult on a proposal, there is a requirement to report on the outcomes of any consultation undertaken. It is noted that the 4th schedule to the RMA requires more than giving notice of the application and seeking comment, which is merely dissemination of information. It also requires a response by the applicant to those consulted.
36. RMA Case law confirms that consultation will be successful only when those consulted themselves have adequate information on which to base a response.
37. Parts of the application detail describes how the project *“has been carefully developed over an extended period..... Since 2021, there has been ongoing and extensive engagement with as many affected landowners and governance entities as possible”* and that the applicant has *“been running an active consultation programme for over two years and has held numerous landowner specific hui”*.

38. The Submitters' experience is more accurately reflected in the comments in the Social Impact Assessment where it concedes:

"Recognising the limitations of the engagement undertaken with landowners and communities to date, much of the content and analysis of this SIA has been drawn from desktop reviews,

It is anticipated that the public notification and submission period will further assist in informing the social impact effects of the project.....Consultation and engagement will continue post lodgement.

We have, therefore, taken a collective approach to engagement by targeted, and open, invitations to attend introductory meetings. We believe this approach has worked well, given the timeframes, and been able to capture key people who represent many different groups, communities, and land interests.

Following lodgement, with the support of Te Herenga a Nuku (Walking Access Commission), we intend to have further in-depth negotiations with landowners to reach agreement using Herenga a Nuku's legal instruments, advice, and support."

39. The first direct contact the Submitters received for the proposal was the GDC notification advice, a few days before Christmas 2024. While the scale of the project is acknowledged, together with the work associated in contacting numerous interests, the Submitters believe that their consultation experience points to the fact that the scale of the project is simply too large to be able to be effectively managed through a single consent process.

OBJECTIVE/POLICY ANALYSIS

40. There is little detail to support the necessary objective and policy analysis of the various relevant planning instruments. This is considered to reflect the lack of detail in the application required to support a more robust assessment process.

DRAFT CONDITIONS

41. The draft conditions are considered to be insufficient in scope and content to adequately regulate the activity and are heavily weighted to rely on a management process to identify and regulate actual or potential adverse effects, (for which the Submitters will have no input). Furthermore, the conditions include phrases that are not defined and which may make compliance monitoring difficult (for example "minor changes" "as far as practicable" "envelope of effects."

DECISION SOUGHT & PROCEDURAL MATTERS

42. Part A of this submission confirms that the Submitters will not agree to the formation construction and use of a walking trail over their properties under any circumstances.
43. Part B of this submission deals with the Submitters concerns regarding broader matters of detail and sets out the reasons why the notification/hearing process must provide a greater level of information so that the actual or potential effects of the proposal are properly identified and assessed in sufficient detail and that conditions of consent on the application are imposed to adequate regulate the activity to address those wider concerns.
44. The Submitters note that the Trail is proposed to pass through Tolaga Bay beach and Kaiaua Beach, both beaches being very close in distance and thereby fulfilling a beach environment experience. Were Karaka Bay beach to provide a contiguous beach link between Tolaga Bay and Kaiaua Bay beaches, there would be more merit in the proposal. However the landform precludes this option and therefore the inclusion of Karaka Bay as a standalone no exit trail has a more limited purpose.
45. Noting the intent expressed in the application that the trail is designed to pass most Marae , the Submitters suggest that it run along the Uawa River to provide an alternative landscape experience and to continuing on Kaiaua Road to pass the Puketawai Marae (should that be the wish of the Marae).
46. The Submitters wish to be heard in support of this submission.
47. The Submitters may be prepared present a joint case with others who have made a similar submission.

48. The Submitters consider it appropriate, pursuant to section 100A of the Act that GDC delegates its functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

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Signed by Ian and Lori Luscombe and on behalf of Karaka Bay Estate
24 January 2025

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LODGING INFORMATION

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I am writing the submission on behalf of myself and my Tutapu Tureia whanau (majority shareholder of the-Pouawa A1 block at Tatapouri, which has a proposed trail running through it in the applicants map.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
I oppose a public track coming through our Maori land block- Pouawa A1 as seen in the applicants proposed trail map.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I recommend that the Gisborne District council denies consent for this application.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose stage 1 of te Ara tipuna trust
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
Property rights. Environmental impact. Safety concerns. Cultural insensitivities
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
Terminate te ara tipuna trail immediately

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

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Position on application	support	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
All of it!
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
To show support for this kaupapa on SH 35.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the entire application that disturbs the interests of my children and mokopuna in the lands that are directly affected by this application.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
To ensure my voice and opinion are considered and heard in opposition to this application.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I would like to know that Gisborne City Council makes decisions that are fair and based on the wishes of the land owners who will be affected.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the full application.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

The main reason I'm opposing this application is because there is outstanding important issues with current infrastructure, roading and housing that should be priority over building a walkway.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Gisborne District Council should be acknowledging the landowners wishes who ultimately have the final approval over what happens to their lands. I do not give consent to anyone to make applications that included and affect my land.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

Oppose the whole walkways through Whangara beach.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Whangara beach is private for a reason. Not for tourist to just walk along our beach no way & for the public I don't think the locals or even us who are from whangara will ever let that happen.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

We the trustees of AkuAku A4H1 Ahu whenua Trust, oppose the walkway going through or alongside our ahu whenua trust block - AKUAKU A4H1. We oppose this because it is proposed to be built nearby our urupa, marked and unmarked wahi tapu sites.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

We oppose this as landowners will be held responsible for any health and safety accidents that may occur from people walking through or near our AKUAKU A4H1 block. We are concerned about the damage that may occur to the environment (fauna and flora). We feel that in wet weather events up the coast, it is difficult enough for the Gisborne District Council to maintain the roads and bridges etc, especially in the Waipiro Bay area where our block AKUAKU A4H1 is located. We feel that this walkway will require ongoing maintenance/costs.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

That the Gisborne District Council oppose the application for the Te Ara Tipuna walkway, and that our block AKUAKU A4H1 is not included in this walk way in any capacity.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE
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Minutes

Akuaku A4H1 Meeting

8th January 2025

Meeting commenced 7.00pm

Present: Stanley Northover, Malcolm Northover, Sharon Brown, Sharon Richards, Paddy Northover, Tania Northover.

Absent: Hilda Northover and Judith Northover

Agenda:

Te Ara Tipuna proposed walkway from Gisborne to Opotiki.

We are all aware of the proposed walkway and information was emailed to all trustees.

Tania spoke about where the walkway was going in relation to our block. From Waikawa / Waima through the back off Parengaroa, where her dad Uncle William and Uncle Dan are buried, also along A47, passed Kiekie Marae, Parapara road and A4J. A lot of trees have been cut down up the coast, she had also spoken to Auntie Wiki.

Uncle Stanley asked what do the KieKe Marae whanau say, Tania said they do not want the walkway put in.

Sharon Brown asked if all trustees had read the information and if they had spoken to their whanau lines and everyone present replied yes. A lot of feedback from whanau was on how are the Gisborne District council going to maintain the roads up the coast let alone the walkway, when we have such bad weather events, especially in Waipiro Bay area / Kie Kie. Whanau are against it also because it could go through Wahi Tapu areas marked and unmarked.

Paddy advised Feedback from the coast was Aunty Wiki had asked in a meeting related to the track was who is liable if there is an accident on the track and she was told the landowner is, and again whanau are not comfortable with this.

Sharon Brown asked each line if they are yes or no to the walkway proceeding.

NO - Joeseeph Northover line

NO - Lena Northover line

NO - Hiria Rutene line

NO - William Northover line

NO - Dan Northover line (contacted Hilde by phone during the meeting)

NO - Girlie Northover line

NO - Stanley Northover line

Motion: We the trustees of Akuaku A4H1, disagree and do not support the Te Ara Tipuna proposed walkway, going through, along or beside our block Akuaku A4H1.

Moved: Stanley Northover Seconded: Paddy Northover

A submission will be lodged in the name of Akuaku A4H1 and minutes of this meeting attached to support our submission.

Aunty Wiki will be contacted to clarify if individual beneficiaries who want to make their own submissions can.

Meeting closed: 7.30pm

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141489
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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Reference Number	RCS250141498
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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

As a registered Māori Landowner of Pouawa A1 Land Block Tatapouri I oppose the application of construction of a public trail through the block.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

As a landowner I do not feel that the cutting of public tourist tracks through the middle of Pouawa A1 is in the best interest of land and landowners. In my view the introduction of a track through the block will be detrimental to land including existing fauna &, existing eco systems.

The proposed track as mapped cuts through parts of the land which are already susceptible to land slips and would be dangerous.

Introduction of additional foot traffic will over time be detrimental to the landscape and could escalate erosion which will negatively impact the flatter prominent low lying flat parts of the block. The health & safety risk to walkers who could stray from the proposed track is also a factor that needs to be considered. The risk of sustaining injury or death in parts of cliff side high points should someone fall is extremely high. I do not wish any person to be hurt and possibly lose their life on my land.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

As a landowner of the affected block Pouawa A1 and based on the details and concerns as outlined I do not wish for the submission to be considered.

Please deny the application for the track to be built.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141543
Submitted on	2025-01-25T19:04:26.7182564+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose all parts of this application.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

The reason for my submission is that I disagree with Te Ara Tipuna creating a kaupapa that did not seek whakaaro, and agreement from all land owners, Hapū and Iwi that are included in the Te Ara Tipuna path.

I disagree with this kaupapa, and do not align with the concept that Te Ara Tipuna proposes.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I wish for the Gisborne District Council to provide evident confirmation from all parties, Hapū and Iwi who agreed for their private property to be used as Public access on the Te Ara Tipuna path. Once the Gisborne District Council has reviewed those findings, I advise that they reevaluate and abolish the Te Ara Tipuna application.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141544
Submitted on	2025-01-25T19:05:11.2925921+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the entire application that disturbs the interests of my whanau in the lands that are directly affected by this application

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

To ensure my voice and opinion are considered and heard in opposition to this application

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I would like to know that Gisborne District Council makes decisions that are fair and based on the wishes of the land owners who will be affected.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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Reference Number	RCS250141553
Submitted on	2025-01-25T19:28:25.4281147+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141570
Submitted on	2025-01-25T19:52:24.5866908+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the entire application that disturbs the interests of my whanau in the lands that are directly affected by this application

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

To ensure my voice and opinion are considered and heard in opposition to this application

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I would like to know that Gisborne District Council makes decisions that are fair and based on the wishes of the land owners who will be affected.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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Reference Number	RCS250141575
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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the entire application that disturbs the interests of my whanau in the lands that are directly affected by this application

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

To ensure my voice and opinion are considered and heard in opposition to this application

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I would like to know that Gisborne District Council makes decisions that are fair and based on the wishes of the land owners who will be affected.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141690
Submitted on	2025-01-26T07:24:08.269881+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I David Ariki Tureia oppose all parts of this application.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141725
Submitted on	2025-01-26T09:04:58.9255327+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the whole project
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
I see the point of it, waste of money
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
Rural areas and main roads need attention

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
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Submitted on	2025-01-26T11:21:23.0830822+13:00

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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141806
Submitted on	2025-01-26T11:27:03.6628745+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141846
Submitted on	2025-01-26T12:14:25.0246673+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the FULL application as I'm aware NOT ALL of land owners who are directly affected have been included/ made aware or notified which is part of the application process.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

1. Disturbing private maori owned whenua.
2. I don't condone turning our whenua into a commodity.
3. The Cultural impact report DOES NOT reflect the real cultural impacts because the haapu of each area and it's people were NOT included in the process of this report.
4. The Coast infrastructure , lack of housing , poor quality roading and poor quality health services SHOULD be the MAIN priority before investing money/funding and resources into A walkway.
5. In the plans there's Huts, composting toilets and refillable water tanks mentioned, These resources would be better used for the CURRENT homeless people in the Gisborne District Area.
6. Myself and my families lands are directly affected by this application and we do not give consent to allow for anyone or strangers to have access to our land, as a whanau we will be ensuring trespassing and trespassers will be prosecuted we will ensure all signs are visible.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

From a Tangata Whenua perspective water and whenua come 1st . It is the best interests of the Gisborne District Council to consider it's obligations as a Crown/Govt entity in the partnership under Te Tiriti O Waitangi which ensures Tangata Whenua Tino Rangatiratanga over our lands, waters, forests and selves. In this understanding we the land owners would like to see changes in this system that leads to the normalization of being more Tikanga led, Not by privatisation or for profits off our resources. The application itself and those who have initiated it should already know the correct Tikanga around making decisions when it comes to our whenua and it's future. It is unfortunate that they had not demonstrated this from the very start of the process.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250141877
Submitted on	2025-01-26T12:50:00.5076395+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose all parts of this resource consent. Would like the application to be denied

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

This project has not considered toilets, as it is our land is frequently used as a toilet. This will only become worse if this goes ahead. A number of land owners do not have public liability insurance, as such who will be liable for accidents on others land. the influx of people will bring rubbish, where does this go as it appears there is no infrastructure included.

The roading to Omanuka Bay and Nuhiti is tenuous at best. The walkway is to go over this slip, the walkway will add to the degradation of this very unstable road.

I am strongly opposed to this as anybody can use this walkway at any time, therefore randomn people could be walking through private land when owners are camping and using our land.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I would like Gisborne District Council to reject the proposal from Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission

No

Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?

No

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?

No

I confirm that all the above details are correct

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142045
Submitted on	2025-01-26T16:19:24.9185565+13:00

1. PERSON MAKING SUBMISSION

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	neutral	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

Frequently Asked Questions. Shareholders are concerned with question number 14. Who will be responsible for the track across my whenua? Answer, you the landowner, will be chiefly responsible after agreeing to a legal easement. Trustees and shareholders are concerned with legal easements referred to in Section 109 Land Transfer Act 2017 and Section 26 Walking Access Act 2008. Decisions made today may impact on future generations.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Legal Title - 394140, the Block Name is Waipiro A47 and part Waipiro A47 and covers an area of 26.5 ha's. The land is steep with wet low lying areas near the road, covered with scattered wilding pines, scrubland with a mixture of deciduous trees. The low lying area is located next to Kopuaroa Road, Waipiro Bay a subsidiary road that links to State Highway 35. There is a stream that flows through the land quite often flooded during extremely wet weather, with a bridge that is not well maintained. There are five private homes located on this land and access is minimal. A urupa is situated on the whenua known only to a few shareholders. The Trustees of AkuAku A47 declare that this land-block is not suitable for a walkway or track for tourists and others who enjoy walking or performing outdoor activities; furthermore walking on unknown traditional waahi tapu or sacred places must be respected.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

When an application for a resource consent by the Gisborne District Council is decided consideration be given to the views of tangata whenua or landowners in regard to the state of their whenua. In the Gisborne District Council strategic roading network plan they intend to involve all partners working together with Māori as Treaty partners. One view was to consider "aspirations for roading investment to support local economy". (refer Community Lifelines Waipiro Bay Community Hui 17 December 2024).

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation

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I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142167
Submitted on	2025-01-26T19:17:32.6290633+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	support	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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Reference Number	RCS250142185
Submitted on	2025-01-26T19:58:09.7291357+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

E kore au e whakaae ki tēnei kaupapa. He mahi maminga, he puku kau te mahi.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

My reasons for making this submission is that I wouldn't like any raawaho walking on my whenua, without my whaanau knowing. I I have two pakeke who live on our papa kainga at home and I don't think they should have to worry about raawaho turning up on our whenua.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142331
Submitted on	2025-01-27T07:07:28.6071522+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the whole application
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
This trail will not just go through my mana whenua but everyones around Te Tairāwhiti
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
decline the application

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142552
Submitted on	2025-01-27T09:41:50.8594736+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142558
Submitted on	2025-01-27T09:44:40.2449719+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

Private property - Our animals run freely our mokos play safe, Gate is land locked from main road, our boats and equipment are all safe on our trust land, This will effect safety and security, There is huge potential for theft, rubbish, fires, human waste, injury, We will not lock our animals up, our whanau come here all the time, and camp, the trail will go right through our land and this is a huge Nono from the Trust and shareholders, We will not remove nor let any strangers through our landlocked. gates, NO from Te Whanau Apanui.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

As above - OPPOSE THE TRAIL 100% - how would you like strangers walking through your back yard.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

OPPOSE - 100%

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142585
Submitted on	2025-01-27T09:58:11.5017379+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
Oppose Walkway 100%
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
Assess to the foreshore- Invasion of privacy, we have a locked gate policy to stop access theft through our properties, we run stock freely, on our blocks, we won't be changing this, this will bring in, safety for our mokopuna, theft, fires from smoke butts, human waste, rubbish, This is a big no from our Trust and Shareholders
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
OPPOSE 100%

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142844
Submitted on	2025-01-27T11:38:36.7258594+13:00

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Email address		

2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose all aspects of this project.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

I do not give consent to Access my private property, the current road/highway 35 needs significant remediation work and funds should be used to improve the safety of this road. There are no facilities provided along this section for toilets and rubbish.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I wish for them to spend funds on improving road safety.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142920
Submitted on	2025-01-27T12:03:03.0614942+13:00

1. PERSON MAKING SUBMISSION

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2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the trail in its entirety

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

I am writing in response to your letter dated 13 December 2024 pertaining to the proposed resource consent for the Te Ara Tipuna Trail.

I oppose the trail running past the boundary of our property along Waipiro Road and oppose the trail running along Waipiro Road including any possibility of it crossing our land.

The rationale for this position is as follows:

1. Effect on hospital:

1.1. The hospital which serves the East Coast is located in Te Puia Springs. An influx of tourists of any number will place an additional burden on the resources of the hospital for which it does not have funding. Additionally, having to cater for the health needs of an increased number of tourists will impact the ability of the hospital to care for the residents throughout the East Coast.

2. Lack of Accommodation:

2.1. Te Puia Springs does not have sufficient accommodation for the number of tourists likely, especially in summer. There is no designated camping ground and nowhere for them to stay other than at the small hotel in Te Puia Springs.

3. State of Waipiro Road:

3.1. Waipiro Road is in a state of dire disrepair, at this point it is closed. Part of it has slipped away and basic repairs only recently have been carried out. At this point it can barely cope with the local traffic let alone extra traffic and driving along it at this point is unsafe given it goes into single lane in many places. This road requires significant repairs to bring it up to a standard to safely drive along. Even if repairs are carried out this whole road is prone to further slipping and movement at any time.

4. Lack of road safety:

4.1. It is ludicrous to put a walking track into a road that can barely cope with vehicular traffic. Waipiro Road is too narrow to safely enable people to walk or cycle along as well as vehicular traffic which is a significant safety concern for both trail walkers and the local drivers. This road would require millions to be repaired to a point it was safe for trail walkers and vehicular traffic to traverse it.

5. Waste of Taxpayer Funds:

5.1. The entire trail project is a frivolous waste of taxpayer funds that could be better used elsewhere. All roads envisaged as part of the trail can be traversed in foot if required.

6. Environmental issues:

6.1. An influx of tourists will have an impact on the fragile condition of the land and flora and fauna at a time when much of it is still either recovering or subject to the ongoing impact from recent and ongoing weather events.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

We do not support the Gisborne District Council approving the application for Resource Consent.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

25 January 2025

Gisborne District Council
Opotiki District Council
C/- P O Box 747
GISBORNE

NOTIFIED CONSENT APPLICATION – TE ARA TIPUNA TRAIL
REFERENCE: TPGD-0889

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Yours faithfully

Shirley and Ben (Snr) Green

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250142967
Submitted on	2025-01-27T12:17:20.9828687+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose all areas of the application and do not wish it to proceed.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

I do not give permission for the track to access my property and feel the funds are needed to improve the safety of state highway 35 before millions are spent on an un message bike track. Should highway be improved it would provide the opportunity to cycle on the road. Who is to pay for the maintenance and up keep of the track, rates have already increased and many can't afford an increase to pay for this. There are no public toilets or rubbish services along this area.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

To not proceed with rbis application, many members of the community do not support it.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143094
Submitted on	2025-01-27T13:22:03.0569517+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

Oppose all 100%

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

The consent application is misguided and unlawful because it seeks consent for activity on private land where the applicant holds no legal right to access or use the land and has not been sought, The Trustees and Share holders of Maraehako C3A Ahu Whenua Trust advise that we will NEVER consent to any access rights or authorise the formation or use the trail.

This land has been apart of our family since 1902.

Should the resource consent be granted, The Trust reserves it rights to file legal action against the Trust and Council

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Strongly oppose this Application for this trail to proceed

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143107
Submitted on	2025-01-27T13:27:19.4788331+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the application of Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust, to erect a trail, based on the 2 concerns outlined below

Impact on Private and Multiple-Owned Land:

The trail is proposed to cross private and multiple-owned land blocks, which raises concerns about land use and access rights. As a landowner, I oppose the trail crossing my land without proper consultation and agreement.

Environmental and Cultural Impact:

The construction and use of the trail will have potential environmental and cultural impacts. I am concerned about the effects on local ecosystems, sacred sites, and the overall cultural landscape of Te Whānau a Apanui.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

Impact on Private and Multiple-Owned Land:

Lack of Consultation: Emphasize that there has been insufficient consultation with landowners, and that their consent and input are crucial before proceeding with the trail.

Property Rights: Highlight concerns about the potential infringement on property rights and the need for clear agreements regarding access and use of private land.

Environmental and Cultural Impact:

Environmental Protection: I stress the importance of protecting local ecosystems and the potential negative impact of increased foot traffic and construction on the environment.

Cultural Sensitivity: I'd like to point out the need to respect and preserve sacred sites and cultural landmarks, ensuring that the trail does not disrupt or desecrate these areas.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Here are some key points I hope Gisborne District Council will consider in their decision-making process:

Consultation and Consent:

Request that the council ensures thorough consultation with all affected landowners and obtains their consent before proceeding with the trail. Emphasize the importance of respecting property rights and involving landowners in the decision-making process.

Environmental Impact Assessment:

Ask the council to conduct a comprehensive environmental impact assessment to identify and mitigate potential negative effects on local ecosystems. Highlight the need for measures to protect native flora and fauna and maintain the natural landscape.

Cultural Sensitivity:

Urge the council to consider the cultural significance of the land and ensure that the trail does not disrupt or desecrate sacred sites. Suggest involving local iwi and hapū in the planning and implementation process to uphold tikanga Māori.

Alternative Routes:

Propose that the council explores alternative routes for the trail that minimize the impact on private and multiple-owned land. Suggest using existing public land, road corridors, and reserves where possible.

Ongoing Monitoring and Management:

Request that the council establishes a plan for ongoing monitoring and management of the trail to address any issues that arise. This could include regular maintenance, environmental monitoring, and community feedback mechanisms.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143314
Submitted on	2025-01-27T14:42:56.6632191+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	support	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I think the proposed walk way would be great for the whole Coast. It would attract visitors/tourists to the area which would be great for the local economy in a way that similar trails e.g. Alps to Ocean and The Otago Rail Trail have transformed their areas.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

Wanted to show my support for the venture.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143412
Submitted on	2025-01-27T15:17:25.15109+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose all parts of the proposal for multi-consents being applied for.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
I do not want anyone for whatever purpose walking through any of our whenua it's not a public space.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I oppose Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust and its intentions to walk anywhere on our whenua.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143450
Submitted on	2025-01-27T15:32:38.2302639+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Several valid concerns:

1. Environmental Impact
2. Property Rights
3. Safety Concerns
4. Maintenance and liability
5. Community impact
6. Aesthetic Value
7. Cultural insensitivities

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143458
Submitted on	2025-01-27T15:36:07.673252+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Several valid concerns:

1. Environmental Impact
2. Property Rights
3. Safety Concerns
4. Maintenance and liability
5. Community impact
6. Aesthetic Value
7. Cultural insensitivities

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143464
Submitted on	2025-01-27T15:38:25.2163503+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Several valid concerns:

1. Environmental Impact
2. Property Rights
3. Safety Concerns
4. Maintenance and liability
5. Community impact
6. Aesthetic Value
7. Cultural insensitivities

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143488
Submitted on	2025-01-27T15:50:16.421448+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose Stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Several valid concerns:

1. Environmental Impact
2. Property Rights
3. Safety Concerns
4. Maintenance and liability
5. Community impact
6. Aesthetic Value
7. Cultural insensitivities

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Terminate Te Ara Tipuna Trail immediately.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250143982
Submitted on	2025-01-27T21:30:19.0686271+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

We oppose the construction of the proposed 500km trail on unstable land that is prone to regular flooding and erosion due to high costs and environmental risks associated with it.

Lack of infrastructure

I oppose proceeding with this project without first addressing the existing infrastructure deficiencies, such as road repairs and drainage issues

I oppose the project moving forward while our healthcare systems remain under-sourced and unable to meet the needs of the community.

I oppose the project in favour of focusing on other tourism opportunities such as developing the mt Hikurangi hut and enhancing the Te Araroa lighthouse which could create jobs and attract visitors to our gorgeous region

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

I am writing to formally object to the Te Ara Tipuna project, as I have significant concerns regarding the current state of our community's infrastructure and healthcare, as well as the overall viability of this proposed tourist trail.

Infrastructure Deficiencies:

The East Coast is facing critical neglect in vital infrastructure. We have some of the worst roads in the country. Even areas that are not affected by rain have been overlooked, resulting in unsafe driving conditions. The council has failed to address basic roadside drainage issues; as a result, even light rainfall leads to significant flooding on our roads. Before committing resources to a 500km trail project, we must prioritize fixing our existing roads and drainage systems to ensure the safety and accessibility of our community.

Healthcare Concerns:

In addition to infrastructure, our healthcare system is in a concerning state. Many residents lack access to qualified medical professionals, which compromises the well-being of our community. Investing in a tourism project while our healthcare system struggles does not align with the needs of the people who live here. The focus should be on improving healthcare access and ensuring that all community members receive the medical attention they deserve.

Environmental Impact

The proposed trail raises serious concerns about environmental degradation. Erosion is a significant issue in our region, and a large-scale project like this could exacerbate the problem, damaging our natural landscapes and habitats. Additionally, the local wildlife could be adversely affected by increased human activity and habitat disruption. It is crucial to consider whether the benefits of such a project outweigh the potential harm to our environment and the animals that inhabit it.

Tourism Viability:

While the idea of a 500km trail may seem appealing, it is crucial to recognize that the Gisborne, East Coast, Ruatoria to Opotiki are not currently a destination on the mainstream tourist trail. Competing with the well-established infrastructure of the South Island poses significant financial risks. The costs associated with developing a trail in an area with minimal existing tourist infrastructure would likely be unsustainable. Modern

tourists seek engaging experiences, often opting for quick photo opportunities rather than lengthy, unexciting trails.

Alternative Opportunities:

Instead of pursuing this project, we should explore other avenues that could bring economic growth and job opportunities to the East Coast. For example, developing proper facilities at Hikurangi, the first land to see the sun in New Zealand, could attract visitors in a way that is more aligned with their interests. Establishing well-managed huts and promoting activities such as hunting, fishing, and kayaking can create a more diversified tourism experience that would benefit our community. Te Araroa Lighthouse trail renovations could have a great added potential.

In conclusion, while I recognize the potential benefits of tourism, it is essential that we address our immediate infrastructure and healthcare needs first. I urge decision-makers to reconsider the focus on the Te Ara Tipuna project and instead invest in initiatives that will provide tangible benefits to our community now and in the future.

Thank you for considering my submission.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I request that the GDC reject the proposed project.

Reasons for the request

Infrastructure Concerns - Roads, drainage

Healthcare Issues

Lack of access to qualified medical professionals

Environmental Impact

Erosion

Wildlife disruption

Tourist Viability

Infrastructure Improvements

Prioritize funding for road repairs and drainage systems

Viability

The viability of constructing a 500km trail on unstable land that is known to be prone to regular flooding and erosion is highly questionable. Such an endeavor would not only incur significant costs but also pose serious risks of exacerbating erosion and causing further environmental degradation, during periods of rainfall

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission

No

Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes
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4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	Yes
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250144651
Submitted on	2025-01-28T10:46:34.9781973+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

As a beneficiary/owner of the following Trust Wharekura Wharepapa Tamati Patuwai Whanau Trust, I oppose the part where the trail proposes to cross over any of our whenua at,

Tokararanga A, Tunapahore B2B, Wharawhara 27, Wharawhara 3B2, Wharawhara 8, Ohotu Mangaroa Incorporated.

As landowners, beneficiaries, we are resolute and committed to ensuring the protection of our whenua as gifted to us by our ancestral tipuna, and it's continued legacy.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

It has a governing body – Ahu Whenua Trust, Whanau Trust that oversees the whenua and

The owners are very active in maintaining and looking after this whenua

More detail – Example only

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for YOUR/our views, attach further pages if necessary)

Environmental: Damage from heavy equipment being used that will/may cause erosion, damage to native flora and fauna and disturb the whenua in it's natural state, there are no detailed reports as to the effects on the environment, rather this is being left until and if the Resource consent is granted.

Property: The application makes assumptions that threaten property rights, and the Resource consent is based on personal/corporate perspectives that are not in alignment with the collective interest of the landowners.

The application unfairly assumes landowners/beneficiaries, have given consent, the landowners should have been given the information and the right to make the decision before, not after and in response to Notified consent.

The applicant has been unfair in the lack of consultation and engagement with landowners in Te Whanau a Apanui and Te Tairawhiti

The notified Resource Consent, and short time period allowed for landowners to respond is appalling and to the detriment of landowners, especially Land blocks that have no administrators

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

To Withdraw the Te Ara Tipuna Trail application, where it proposes to cross over Maori owned land/Maori owned multiple land, Maori land with no Administrators.

I would request the applicant to notify proper meetings in each area of the intended trail site, for open discussion and feedback

I would request the applicant to meet with Te Tumu Paeroa (The Maori Trustee) to assess the number of unadministered lands, affected by the Proposal

I have no objection as such for the proposed trail to be parallel and adjacent to State Highway 35

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250144729
Submitted on	2025-01-28T11:11:46.5876342+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

As a beneficiary of the Hune Moana Whanau Trust, Hirena Rukuata Rawiri Horua Whanau Trust and a Shareholder in my own right, I oppose the part where the trail proposes to cross over any of my/our whenua at, Name of Land Block (s), Orete A & B No 2B2, Te Rau, Raekahua 22D, Kaikoura 1, Kaikoura 5, Tawaroa Topu, Te Waiti No 2C No 2

Name of Land Block (s), Marangairoa D47, Hahau B4B2, Marangairoa D3B

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

The area it proposes to cross over to run along the beach at Orete A & B No 2B2, Te Rau, Raekahu 22D, Kaikoura 1, Tawaroa Topu Te Waiti No 2C No 2, has an active governing body – Ahu Whenua Trust, Whanau Trust that oversees the whenua and the owners are very active in maintaining and looking after this whenua

Environmental: Damage from heavy equipment being used that will/may cause erosion, damage to native flora and fauna, as the whenua for the most part is in pristine condition.

Property: The application makes assumptions that threaten property rights and owners and beneficiaries undisturbed possession of their land as granted in the Treaty of Waitangi.

The application unfairly assumes that landowners/beneficiaries, have given consent, the landowners should have been given the information and the right to make the decision before, not after and in response to Notified consent, with a very limited timeframe and opportunity to respond.

As a landowner/beneficiary the application does not align with my/our role

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

To withdraw the application by Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust as it pertains to the use/acquiring of Maori land, for the purpose of Proposed Te Ara Tipuna Trail

I wish the applicant to engage in further consultation with affected Land/Ahu Whenua/Shareholders/Beneficiaries, and to provide detailed list of affected land blocks

I wish the applicant to consult and engage with Te Tumu Paeroa (The Maori Trustee) where the proposed Te Ara Tipuna Trail crosses over on Maori land that has no administrators and Te Tumu Paeroa is the Custodial Trustee.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250144738
Submitted on	2025-01-28T11:17:27.8230196+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	support	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I support all parts of the application
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
I believe this project has the potential to stimulate growth in the whole East Cape area in the same way that the Otago Rail Trail has revitalised small towns along that trail and to provide a world class trail to attract New Zealanders and overseas tourists.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I wish the Gisborne District Council to approve the application

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250145062
Submitted on	2025-01-28T12:15:18.5380843+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

(Oppose) The Environmental impact on Coastal foreshores and Farmlands regarding this matter.

(Oppose) The Ancestral and Historical Impact on the Mana Whenua.

(Oppose) The Health and Safety Impact of all involved in the construction and the impact it can have on everyone pertaining to this matter.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

See attachment with document

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Taking into consideration the views of the people involved and the impact it can have on the locals that reside in the region. Allowing them to have an opportunity to convey their views on the matter and the impact that can result from interfering with lands that are cultural and historically valued by the people (the tangata whenua) and respected, especially if it involves tapu land.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission

No

Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?

Yes

4. Confirmation

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No

I confirm that all the above details are correct

True

Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust Trail Submission

My name is Phyllis Joanne Foote (nee Kirikiri). I am a landowner in the Katere Lockwood Incorporation, Anaura Incorporation and Nuhiti B1/B2 of Anaura Bay. I am a direct descendant of Hine Tamatea and am the great daughter of Wi and Miriama Kirikiri, granddaughter of Hamiora and Horiana Kirikiri and the eldest daughter of Heta Te Kani and Huia Kirikiri.

I am filing a submission opposing to the application regarding the Te Ara Tipuna Charitable Trust Trail Resource consent application in constructing a walkway Trail from Gisborne to Opotiki. I have great concerns regarding this matter as follows:

The Environmental Impact on coastal foreshores and farmlands that are owned by many on the coast is in question. Despite the fact that you have stated in the coastal Hazard assessment report **“that there will be placement of toilet and shelter buildings within an area that are vulnerable to coastal erosion or inundation could cause disturbance to sensitive coastal environments and add to coastal hazard risks.”** As a landowner in Anaura Bay and Nuhiti B1/B2, what is it to say that the individuals to whom utilize the walkway decides to dispose of their personal rubbish or excrement near our waterways, where there is no toilet or rubbish bin available. Therefore causing contamination to the waterways. Have you taken into consideration the farmers/Incorporations/Iwi viewpoint, when individuals decide to purposely leave gates open or climb fences, therefore leaving further problems for them to deal with (eg damaging of property and loss of livestock). As for the foreshore itself, it is challenging enough having to replant, rejuvenate the sand dunes and protect our farmlands and whenua without having to worry about horse trekkers, walkers and cyclist stomping over them.

Has this Trust even considered the **Historical and Ancestral Impact** that is tied to Anaura Bay and Nuhiti. There is so much untold history and ancestral information regarding the lands of Anaura Bay and Nuhiti that is untold in which can effect the construction process of this so called walkway.

Then there is the Issue of the **Health and Safety Impact**. As a landowner, who is responsible/liable for any injury that may occur regarding the members of the public for this particular walkway and the workers to whom assist in the construction of this particular structure. Who is to pay any medical bills if that injury is serious **“certainly not the landowners.”**

Whilst this Charitable Trust may have the backing of some and attained knowledge over-time, is it not commonsense to converse and communicate respectfully and considerately with those that reside in the area on a more even level than proceed in this manner. The local iwi/hapu/landowners are the ones to which you need to be communicating with face to face not the ones holding office. For their knowledge is the most valued in regards to this matter.

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LODGING INFORMATION

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the whole trail
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
The trail goes through our familiesl land. also there are already plenty of tracks on the east coast.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
reject the consent application

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250145366
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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I disagree with part of the track going through Whangara, I disagree with you guys trying to build a bridge through our awa(river)

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

The reason for my submission is because I disagree with you wanting to create a public track through our private, sacred marae village at whangara

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes
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4. Confirmation

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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250145535
Submitted on	2025-01-28T14:23:06.4410906+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the trail being constructed on any land that has been identified as me being a shareholder/ beneficiary of. This includes any unoccupied land that my deceased siblings are currently noted on as shareholders.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

No consultation with affected landowners. This is seen as another form of Maori land confiscation by stealth. Small path today a roadway tomorrow. Health and safety reasons. Many tracks now are strewn with toilet paper and paru. East Cape lighthouse track is one example even though toilets are available. The timing of this application comes hard on the heels of this current government taking a hard nosed approach to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, policies, tikanga that have proven ability and worth to help improve the health and wellbeing of Tangata whenua and others. Ma te waa pea.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Further public consultation required.

To dismiss the application in its entirety.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146133
Submitted on	2025-01-28T15:42:21.7164107+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose access to private land, namely Maungaroa No.1 section

27, of which I am an owner, for the use of a public walking trail.

I oppose the use of the name Te Ara Tipuna. Te Ara Tipuna is a significant trail already utilised for generations between Te Whanau-A-Apanui and Ngati Porou.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

The proposed trail crosses through private land to which we are entitled to 'the benefit and enjoyment of the owners'.

The proposal map indicates that the trail would cut through approximately 300m of our whenua of which we utilise for camping on a regular basis.

Part of this whenua has already been taken to form a public road that has cut through and separated this piece of whenua from its original uninterrupted feature.

Building this walking trail will further diminish the whenua with the public having access to our whenua.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

I will support the proposed trail as long as it does not cut through our private property.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146482
Submitted on	2025-01-28T18:12:00.1531068+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the Ara in its entirety
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
I oppose the proposed Ara.. as a landowner in land where the proposed Ara will be traversing these landblocks... namely. within Tuparoa.. B
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
A Cultural Impact Report on....our whenua. turangawaewae moana.. waterways..taiao Whanau.. Hapu wellbeing Health and Safety.... landowners responsible?

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146511
Submitted on	2025-01-28T18:40:01.8007477+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the whole application that Te ara Tipuna Charitable Trust are proposing to create this 500km trail especially the parts pertaining to state highway 35 between Wharekahika ki Te taumata o Apanui.

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

Our Katerina Kemara Minhinnick Whanau Trust of Te whanau a Kaiiao have shares/blocks in whenua along state highway 35 from Wharekahika to Te taumata o Apanui that the Te ara tipuna charitable trust propose to make this 500km trail. We do not want strangers, people, public walking, riding, biking through our back yards, some through our kitchens and bedrooms we havent built yet. What do we get out of this? Who will keep up the maintainance for these tracks? The list goes on, and no way am I having any D.O.C. or any other government personnel or persons tell my whanau, me or my mokopuna, "No trespassing" on my Whenua, Ukaipo, Moana, Awa mai Wharekahika ki Te taumata o Apanui. This is our Te ara Tipuna.

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

To squash this Te ara Tipuna Charitable Trust application for this 500km trail along state highway 35.

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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I confirm that all the above details are correct	True
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146536
Submitted on	2025-01-28T18:58:11.5874095+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
Te Ata Charitable Trust has no right to gain resource consent on our whenua to build a walkway from Gisborne to Opotiki
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
Land owners have not been notified of this my mother and uncle who have passed and own land in Tikitiki and as I am the beneficiary and Executor of their estates, currently going through the succession process, have not been involved in these discussions.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146575
Submitted on	2025-01-28T19:27:18.1276814+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I farm and own Makorori Station,I oppose the present trial on the Tatapouri headland and would like to be consulted on an alternate route.

I'm not opposed to a walkway on the headland

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:

No consultation with landowner prior to submission, don't agree with the present route re map of Tatapouri Headland

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	True

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146645
Submitted on	2025-01-28T20:08:58.8043796+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose stage 1 of Te Ara Tipuna Trail.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
1.Property Rights 2. Cultural Insensitives 3.Safety Concerns. 4.Privacy rights for Land and home owners. 5.Whanau impact. 6.Maintenance and liability. 7. Community impact. 8 Aesthtic Value. 9. Disturbance to our Privately owned Inherited Land.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
TERMINATE TE ARA TIPUNA TRAIL IMMEDIATELY.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250146875
Submitted on	2025-01-29T07:13:49.412625+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
vegetation clearance, land disturbance, river/Lake bed Disturbance.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
My belief is that this level of disturbance to the land would affect to grassland ecosystems, our property consists of large open areas of tussock grasses, which are native to Aotearoa. Tussock grass retain water well which can help reduce flooding and are more fire resistant and therefore a safety measure.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
I wish the Gisborne District Council to decline all consents relating to the disturbance and or clearance of vegetation, land, river/lake bed.

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	Yes
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

Reference Number	RCS250147145
Submitted on	2025-01-29T09:33:47.1060692+13:00

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2. SUBMISSION ON

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Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The opposition of Torere 41 Ahu Whenua Land Block being incorporated into part of the Te Ara Tupuna walk way trail

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

We oppose resource consent being given for Te Ara Tupuna for the following reasons:

1. Lack of communication, lack of consultation - lack of consideration of seeking agreement under tikanga

- An inappropriate approach to consult with us as affected landowners, and disregarding the importance of a tikanga process that would necessitate a face to face hui with the trustees. We have been informed by our iwi authority that an approach was made to them to conduct consultation with Ngai Tai land owners, despite them being under-resourced, under staffed and with other priorities including being mid-way through a settlement process. This initiative is from Te Ara Tupuna. You need to conduct the consultation with land owners and not expect our iwi authority to do it. As a result, the first contact we have had regarding this proposal was from the Opotiki District Council with no previous attempt to meet with us personally.

- We have seen that the website has been live for 18 months. That means nothing when no-one has been informed about it and can not be considered an appropriate form of communication or consultation.

- What we find more surprising is that the website has been live for 18 months yet you give all landowners only two months to provide feedback over the summer period where whanau are pre-occupied with Christmas and summer holidays for at least a month of this. If this was such an important kaupapa you would give landowners an appropriate timeframe to hui together and feedback.

- We support the position that our Ngai Tai Iwi Authority have taken in that there will be no support or endorsement of the Te Ara Tupuna track until you meet face to face with land owners and even then it is improbable that support will be forthcoming because of other reasons which will be revealed below. We are disappointed at the way you have gone about obtaining this consent - to hear from a colonially imposed organisation such as the Opotiki District Council rather than the developers of this proposal has angered our trustees.

2. Economically unviable for our land block

- Despite claims to the contrary, we do not see an economic benefit from the Te Ara Tupuna Track. The block is already utilised with two kiwifruit blocks, and a grazing lease and we are in the process of establishing housing options. We do not need a track to traverse our block at the moment as it is already an economically producing block for the collective advantage of our owners.

- We currently have no-one who lives on our block and the ongoing maintenance of the track is not possible. This includes setting up areas like a campground or toilets which again would not be of huge economic benefit and can not be managed by us.

- Being familiar with the Te Ara Roa track which runs the length of the country we know that most hikers/tourists are not big spenders and are often walking tracks as a cheaper alternative to other tourism ventures within Aotearoa. Regarding the usefulness of our block, it is not feasible to establish a shop or cafe as land is limited and the small koha that is given over by hikers each night (if at all) is negligible and would not cover any kind of operational costs.

- Our land is unlikely to be a stopping point as it is less than days hike to the end of the trail and there are more likely to be opportunities for overnight camping earlier on within the Ngai Tai rohe, at Corals Bed and Breakfast next door or at the Opape Campground down the road. This contributes to the proposal being financially unviable for our block.

3. Already engaged in whenua utilisation

- As mentioned earlier the block is currently being used for grazing and kiwifruit. In addition, we have a number of shareholders who have asked for an area to come back to. This would be our priority rather than releasing whenua for strangers to walk over. Creating an easement on the whenua for a track and/or camping area is not in our strategic interest as land owners.

- While the track may be fenced off, it is not advisable and would not be supported by our current leasees to have people wondering through their cattle. This may upset the cattle and create issues. Livestock protection and safety is our priority for our leasee.

- Further up the roadway from the proposed track lives our 93 year old koroua. We would not want him to be pestered by people who may want to borrow his toilet, front yard for a tent, or anything else. This may create anxieties and safety issues for him and certainly for us.

- We have concerns over rubbish and/or toileting that may be left on the track and note the expectation is for land owners to maintain their own part of the track. As we've already mentioned, we have no-one currently living on the land that could regularly undertake these tasks.

- A part of the proposed area for the track is extremely swampy, it would take major work to build a track there. It is also a creek that is used to gather watercress and close to a historical paa site. We do not want anyone walking around that area. Perhaps if someone had mapped out the land first or talked to us, you would have seen the make-up of the land.

4. Loss of Māori land and health and safety (when there is very little to start with)

As we all know, iwi have lost almost all the whenua we used to exercise kaitiakitanga over through colonisation. We only have very small parcels left with often large numbers of shareholders. In maintaining our autonomy and exercising the right to manage these small land block parcels, our priority will always be to develop and manage the whenua for the benefit of our shareholders and the wider iwi. It is not to create an easement for an uneconomic project that will see no benefit to our whenua and shareholders. We also will not be agreeing to parting with a more than substantial amount of land to put an easement that we can not easily undo for future generations.

- We do not support strangers walking all over our whenua. Who takes responsibility should an accident happen? Who takes responsibility for those who may stray off the track and down to the nearby beach? We have worked hard to ensure this area is accessible to whanau and our iwi, not to anyone. The beach has rips and no cell phone coverage. In the past when strangers accessed this beach, they left large amounts of rubbish and any accidents that occurred were difficult to provide support. We have every right to protect our whenua for our shareholders and more importantly our iwi

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Decline any resource consent for the development of the Te Ara Tupuna walkway based on strong opposition from our block and our iwi

3. Please indicate:

I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	Yes
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	Yes
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

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Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the trek go through our land on Kaiawha in Tokomaru bay.
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views:
My whanau do not support outsiders going through our land or having people walking through our private land. It's bad enough we are fighting for peppercorn leases.
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
I confirm that all the above details are correct	TRUE

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LODGING INFORMATION

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Name of Applicant	Te Ara Tipuna Trail Charitable Trust	
Type of Resource Consent applied for	Land Use, Discharge to Land, Land Use - Lake/Riverbed, Land Disturbance, Land Use - Vegetation Clearance	
Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
please see attached document
The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):
please see attached document
I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):
please see attached document

3. Please indicate:	
I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	Yes

4. Confirmation	
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LODGING INFORMATION

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2. SUBMISSION ON

Application Number	Gisborne District Council: LU-2023-112074-00; DL-2023-112075-00; LR-2023-112076-00; LL-2023-112077-00; LV-2023-112078-00 Bay of Plenty Regional Council: RM23-0508-AP Ōpōtiki District Council: RC2024-04	
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Brief description of proposed activity	Construction & use of a shared trail from Makorori (in the South) round to Opotiki (in the North of the East Coast)	
Position on application	oppose	

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

See below

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

I strongly oppose the Te Ara Tipuna Trail. The disregard for sacred land, lack of landowner consent, environmental risks, and the failure to prioritize urgent infrastructure needs like SH35 repairs make this project unacceptable in its current form. I urge decision-makers to halt this project immediately and focus on addressing the real needs of our communities.

Sincerely,

[Tweedie Langley

I wish the Commissioner Panel to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Submission Opposing the Te Ara Tipuna Trail

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally oppose the proposed Te Ara Tipuna Trail due to serious concerns regarding sacred land, landowner consent, property rights, and infrastructure priorities.

1. Protection of Sacred Land and Cultural Heritage

The proposed trail crosses wāhi tapu (sacred sites) that hold deep cultural and historical significance for tangata whenua. These areas must be respected and protected from damage caused by increased public access and construction. Ignoring these sacred sites disrespects tangata whenua and undermines the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

2. Landowner Consent and Property Rights

Not all private landowners have given their consent for the trail to cross their land. No project should be allowed to proceed without full, informed, and voluntary agreement from all affected landowners. Any attempt to force access would be a clear violation of property rights and set a dangerous precedent.

3. Infrastructure Priorities – Repairing State Highway 35

A far more urgent issue for the community is the repair and maintenance of State Highway 35. This critical transport route is in urgent need of repairs, affecting local residents, businesses, and emergency services. Instead of prioritizing a recreational trail, resources should be directed toward ensuring SH35 is safe, reliable, and resilient for the people who depend on it daily.

4. Environmental and Ecological Concerns

The trail's construction could lead to environmental degradation, including erosion, damage to wetlands, and disruption of native habitats. Increased foot and bike traffic may also contribute to pollution and waste in fragile ecosystems. These concerns must be properly addressed before proceeding.

5. Lack of Proper Consultation

A project of this scale requires meaningful consultation with tangata whenua, landowners, and the wider community. If affected parties have not been fully consulted or their concerns ignored, then the project should not move forward.

Conclusion

For these reasons, I strongly oppose the Te Ara Tipuna Trail. The disregard for sacred land, lack of landowner consent, environmental risks, and the failure to prioritize urgent infrastructure needs like SH35 repairs make this project unacceptable in its current form. I urge decision-makers to halt this project immediately and focus on addressing the real needs of our communities.

Sincerely,

[Tweedie Langley

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I wish to speak at the Hearing in support of my submission	No
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Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?	No
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4. Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?	No
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Moira Lagaluga

26th January 2025

2 Richardson Rd
Matamata 3400

Ref: Te Ara Tipuna Submission
To: Te Kaunihera O Te Tairāwhiti
C/- Gisborne District Council
P.O.Box 747
Gisborne 4040

Tena Koutou I ngā Kaitiaki o te whenua.

Thank you for this opportunity to make a submission regarding the proposed Walking Trail of 500 Km from Gisborne District to Opotiki.

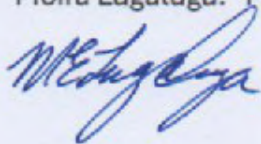
I am a shareholder in the lands of Te Whanau-A-Apanui and will only list one. Te Kaha 67 and Other Blocks in that area.

I oppose the application on the grounds that:

1. A lot of land has already been taken with the development of roads and as much as we applaud the importance of exercise, tourism and sharing the beauty of our region, we must not lose sight of the downside. The mess, the maintenance, dangers of criminal activities, that is, regarding safety for those trekkers.
2. There is a lack of knowledge about this proposal which brings fears to the landowners. And that gap is due to the limited time that has been given to consultation and so making it a feeling of rushed decision making. Especially for those living out of the area but also I am hearing for those within the area who say they haven't any knowledge of these plans.
3. The roads in the area are quite dangerous in many parts for some drivers especially unfamiliar with them, but not only them some locals too, who know the roads well, drive quite fast making it quite hazardous for the unwary. Many bends and steep inclines are quite dangerous to the unwary. We must protect our land and our people, Landowners and Trekkers.
4. I do not wish to speak to my submission.

Nga Mihinui

Moira Lagaluga. Mb 0210766550 email:moira4960@outlook.com



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MARAEHAKO C3B BLOCK
C/O ANI BENNETT (ADMIN)
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BETHLEHEM
TAURANGA 3147

Reference: **TEBO-0013**

To: Gisborne District Council

Date: 25 January 2025

Resource consent numbers:

GDC: DL-2023-112074-00, LR-2023-112076-00, LL-2023-112077-00, LV-2023-112078-00 BOPRC: RM23-0508-AP ODC: RC2024-04

The Trustees of the MARAEHAKO C3B, MARAEHAKO C No.1, MARAEHAKO B (An Ahuwhenua Trust known as Orima Trust)

- **oppose the consent application.**
- **The consent application should be declined.**

The consent application is misguided and unlawful because it seeks consent for an activity on private land where the applicant holds no legal right to access or use the land and has not sought that.

The Trustees, on behalf of the 32 owners in MARAEHAKO C3B, Beneficiaries of the owner of MARAEHAKO B, and Beneficiaries of the owner of MARAEHAKO C No.1, advise that we will **never** consent to any access rights or authorise the formation or use the trail.

The Trustees consider that this application is an attempt at the biggest land grab since the 1800's and absolutely opposes the application. Should the resource

consent be granted, the Trust reserves its rights to file legal action against the Trust and the Councils involved.

Nga Mihi

Orima Trustees:

Mereana Te Whaiti (Chairman)

Richard Haeata

Holly Wharewera

Ani Bennett (Admin/Secretary)

Awhina Henry

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1. Person making submission

Name in full:

Surname:

First Name(s)

Address:

No.

Street/Road

Suburb

Town/City

Postcode

Mobile:

Other phone:

Email:

2. Submission on

Application No:

Name of applicant:

Type of resource consent applied for:

Brief description of proposed activity:

I support the application

I oppose the application

I am neutral to the application (neither support or oppose)

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views, attach further pages if necessary):

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Received date:

Support

Oppose

W.T.B H

N.B.H

I wish the Gisborne District Council to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Please tick:

I wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submission

Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?

Yes No

I do not wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submission

3. Signature

Signature of person making submission or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter

Date:

Postal address of person making submission (if different from previous page):

Name and phone number (if different from previous page):

Contact person:

Mobile:

Other phone:

Email:

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Te Ara Tipuna Trail Application

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You must also send a copy of your submission to the applicant. See their address on the website.

1. Person making submission

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2. Submission on

Application No:
Name of applicant: **Rakaunui Te Puni**
Type of resource consent applied for:
Brief description of proposed activity:
 I support the application I oppose the application I am neutral to the application (neither support or oppose)

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:
I oppose the track going through Reporua.
Absolutely No entry to our whenua! beach, & Marae, & valley!
please go to Whareponga instead!!

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Received date: Support Oppose W.T.B.H N.B.H
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2. Submission on

Application No:

Name of applicant:

Type of resource consent applied for:

Brief description of proposed activity:

I support the application I oppose the application I am neutral to the application (neither support or oppose)

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I the above wish to oppose the application for Reperua only
As I of the Kaunihera of the Ngati Rangimai hapu I on behalf of myself children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchild strongly oppose the invasion of our privacy of our land, Mawae's beach is around the Reperua location - due to our privacy be maintained & nature of our operations to come. Kia ora

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Received date:

Support Oppose W.T.B.H N.B.H

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To: Gisborne District Council and whomever is concerned

Date: 29 January 2025

Resource consent numbers:

GDC: DL-2023-112074-00, LR-2023-112076-00, LL-2023-112077-00, LV-2023-112078-00 BOPRC: RM23-0508-AP ODC: RC2024-04

I Awhina Henry

- **oppose the consent application.**
- **The consent application should be declined.**

The consent application is misguided and unlawful because it seeks consent for an activity on private land where the applicant holds no legal right to access or use the land and has not sought that.

I advise that I will **never** consent to any access rights or authorise the formation or use the trail.

I consider that this application is an attempt at the biggest land grab since the 1800's and absolutely opposes the application. I have an aunty who is a kuia that lives adjacent to the proposed trail and she lives alone. I am very concerned for her safety if this trail goes ahead.

Nga Mihi

Awhina Henry

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SUBMISSION OPPOSING RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION FOR TE ARA TIPUNA TRAIL

DATE: 28/1/2025

MY NAME: NEIL DOUGLAS WAITES

MY PHYSICAL ADDRESS: 7501 STATE HIGHWAY 35, TEKAHA

MY POSTAL ADDRESS: PO BOX 1711, ROTORUA 3040

MY PHONE NUMBER: 0274859008

I WISH TO BE HEARD

I OPPOSE THE APPLICATION AND MY REASONS ARE:

- THEFT AND DAMAGE. We have previously suffered burglaries, damage and theft. This trail will give thieves easier access to our property. We have been burgled 5 times in the past 5 years and had thousands of dollars of property stolen.
- COST TO THE TAX PAYER. This trail will cost millions of dollars of taxpayers money which would be much better spent on health or education. The ongoing maintenance cost also.
- ACCESS TO OUR OWN LAND: While details have not been provided, this trail will likely make access to our own land more difficult.
- We own the property on both sides of SH35 and will not allow the trail on our land.

IF THE COUNCIL GRANTS THE APPLICATION, CONDITIONS I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IMPLEMENTED

- The council made to establish a fund to reimburse use for all thefts and damage and legal costs and time and effort involved in claiming reimbursement from the fund.
- The council to establish a dedicated phone line for affected land owners to lodge complaints and have complaints acted upon. (This may need to be the Opotiki council).

* Awhina. Please photocopy and send this submission to the applicant's. Please note: I am 74 years old, do not own a computer and have not been taught to use a computer. They were not around when I went to school.

Signed: 

Dated 28/1/2025

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2. Submission on

Application No: _____
Name of applicant: _____
Type of resource consent applied for: _____
Brief description of proposed activity: Extensive Walkway cycle way
 I support the application I oppose the application I am neutral to the application (neither support or oppose)

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I support the concept and development of this extensive trail. Please find attached my personal independent assessment of the Gisborne to Tolaga Bay (Uawa) potential section. I undertook this as a personal interest having completed and experienced many or most of the existing trails throughout the country and abroad.

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Received date: _____ Support _____ Oppose _____ W.T.B.H _____ N.B.H _____

The reasons for making my submission are (briefly describe the reasons for your views, attach further pages if necessary):

Lined area for writing reasons for submission.

I wish the Gisborne District Council to make the following decision (give details, including the nature of any conditions sought):

Lined area for writing the desired decision. Handwritten text: *Enable and facilitate*

Please tick:

- I wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submission
- Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission? Yes No
- I do not wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submission

3. Signature

Signature of person making submission or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter

[Handwritten Signature]

Date: *14/1/2025*

Postal address of person making submission (if different from previous page):

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Contact person:

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TAIRAWHITI COASTAL TRAIL



A Case study prepared by Andy Cranston 1/01/2020

“ More than just a trail ”



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....SUMMARY....

A walkway/cycleway is envisaged, based on the route of the Old Coach Road, (Gisborne to Tolaga Bay section). The trail will offer unique and authentic cultural and scenic experiences which will captivate visitors and locals on many levels and present significant and varied regional opportunities.

VISION

A WORLD CLASS TRAIL

DELIVERING REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The trail is made up of an eclectic palette of beauty and experience. A visitor will be subjected to the array and variety of splendor which is unique to the East Coast. There are many kilometres of pristine secluded beaches which will be accessed and traversed. These beaches will be a pleasurable visitor experience and also feature as picturesque scenery from distant vantage points offering outstanding panoramic views. The colour contrasts between the shimmering blue Pacific Ocean, the golden beach sands, dunes, rocky outcrops, mountain backdrops and quality pastoral farmlands is an everchanging artwork. There is significant and interesting wildlife. The geology on display is interesting and the ecological diversity is educational and stimulating. The sea and air are pure. There are multiple activity options en route.

The route is culturally extremely important to Iwi and hapu and there are a plethora of fascinating stories and history which we would all benefit from learning. The trail is seen as an opportunity to articulate and honour Maori history, heritage and traditions by creating a canvas and backdrop which has no equal. The canvas would be ideal to celebrate Maori and maoridom and demonstrate the resourceful, robust and proud people they are. It is an excellent way to educate and inform and indeed, be proud of the Maori heritage which is such an important part of our national identity. The terrain will be highly suitable to both walkers and cyclers. Interestingly while identified as tourism assets, over 80% of current national trail users are Kiwis exploring and enjoying their own extensive backyards. There could be consideration of horse riding. This important multi-use determination. is crucial in terms of viability and sustainability as currently there is huge growth in the cycle sector demand which should be captured.

THE JOURNEY WILL CONTRIBUTE TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WHILE BEING HEALTHY, ENGAGING, EDUCATIONAL, RECREATIONAL AND FUN. IT WILL OFFER UNIQUE AND VARIED SCENERY, FLORA, FAUNA AND HERITAGE – MAORI AND EUROPEAN

“Our primary visitor magnet”

- Iwi hitori korero. A canvas to inform of the proud history and fascinating stories.
- Build our tourism product and grow the market.
- Establish and sustain local businesses
- Offer an alternative route to Tolaga
- Showcase the natural features unique to Te Tairāwhiti
- Health, fitness, wellbeing and activity benefits to users
- Support the intentions of TEAP (The Tairāwhiti Economic Action Plan)
- Accelerate regional growth and development
- Job creation
- Local ownership and benefit opportunities
- Offer foreshore access to areas previously with very limited access.
- Sectional use – 5 relatively evenly distributed access points
- Provide event infrastructure
- Improved accessways to locals and visitors
- Educational opportunities (historical, cultural, agricultural, geological)
- Accessibility for day trips offering significant historical, recreational and scenic interest.
- Encourage longer stay visits to our region which will offer support to the established local economy.
- Support Maori desires and intentions to develop authentic cultural tourism, business and employment opportunities.
- Heritage values
- Create business sustainability

SCOPE OF THIS REPORT

This report has been prepared on a voluntary basis by Andy Cranston.

Disclaimer : This un-commissioned report has been prepared in good faith. All opinions, statements, representations, suggestions and advice are offered on the basis of knowledge and research. I have no specific qualifications or professional expertise. However, I am a very frequent user and observer of NZ's cycle/walkways. I am also passionately of Te Tairāwhiti. I have read multiple studies, reports and public comments. I have walked the whole trail route and assessed the potential and challenges. Though comprehensive, it should not be seen as a full feasibility study.

It is acknowledged and respected that there could be considerable iwi, hapu and landowner apprehension and reservation. This is fair and the intent of the report is to give detail to the possibilities and articulate the possible benefits and opportunities, particularly to those with the mana whenua who will be key decision makers. There is a long way to go and I see this as a very detailed conversation starter.

There are important elements missing which I believe to be next steps on from this report. To deliver those elements, a higher level of commitment and buy-in is required to justify the time, effort and expense to deliver the detail to go to the next level. Those elements are those which require professional expertise such as engineers, planners, legal opinions (easements etc.), designers, costings and cultural advisors. The ability to have these conversations is outside the capacity of a voluntary individual or small interest group. The burning question of money can only be answered with money. Where possible I have offered indicative information. The cultural significance is understated. It is fully understood that the route is saturated with interesting and significant stories which should be told and shared. This crucial element can only be provided for by the mana whenua and the project would need to be appealing and accepted by iwi, hapu and landowners. Benefits must flow back. The importance of having this support and partnership is essential. Best route is still a discussion point which will need to be planned and agreed with those who have mana whenua.

“Me mahi tahi tatou mo to oranga o te katoa”



Attacking the last hill. Coming off the beach Waihau/Loisels to Tolaga Bay

A BRIEF HISTORY

The trail proposal is dissecting a region with rich history offering significant stories. NZ 's historical inhabitation is relatively young but it is this region which boasts the beginnings. Archeological evidence from carbon dating suggests Maori occupation dating back to 12th century. There are several locations which confirm and demonstrate early Maori inhabitation and lifestyle. Cook visited Cooks Cove in 1769 and commented on, "little plantations of the natives lying dispers'd up and down the country". The "Old Coach Road" was established in the 1880's and was the route initially used by a weekly coach service. This continued until the mid 1920's. For a short time the initial route followed the extremely challenging Gable End Foreland though the inland route was favoured later as more user friendly. I have recently acquired a "Planning Report" dated December 1979 which was the proposed Pouawa-Tolaga Bay Coach Road Walkway. This was picked up by the then Department of Lands and Survey for further consideration in 1985. The current Cooks Cove walkway was an outcome.



Hotel in remote Pakarae river mouth location

“To proceed up the coast the traveller should provide himself with a good horse because the road is rough and often very bad”

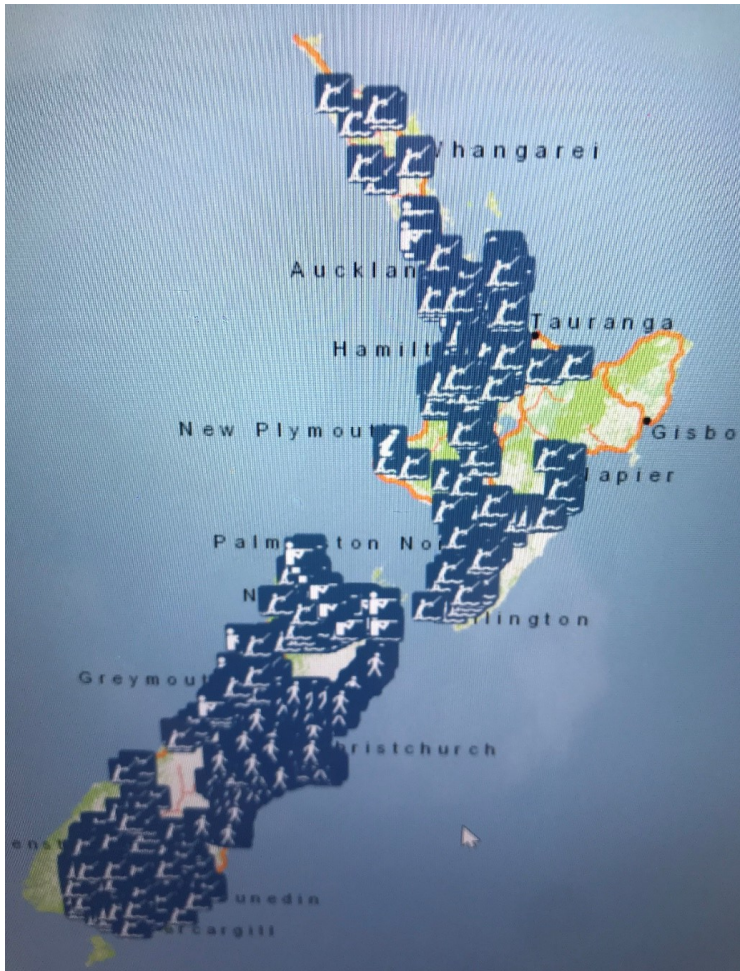
History of Trails

NZ has a long and proud history of tracks and trails. Early Maori movement across Aotearoa identified and established practical pathways and established linkages. They were responsible for an extraordinary network which established the basis of so much of our overland movements.

Some of NZ’s current trails have been tourist attractions for over 100 years. They have always been a key attraction and much-loved activity. For generations new walking trails have come online and enhanced the experience.

The real growth has been enabling trail cycling and mixed use. Twenty years ago the Otago Rail Trail was developed, took off and articulated the considerable benefits. The big kicker was an outcome of the then governments 2009 Jobs Summit championed by PM John Key. Funder support has targeted considerable growth in cycle trail infrastructure with the development and establishment of the 22 Great Rides. In 2018 an estimated 1.3 million trips were taken on the Great Rides by 400,000 users. Additional to this are 20 Heartland Rides which offer back country connectivity.

OUR REGION IS BEING LEFT BEHIND



If you go to the most recent map of New Zealand access for river or coast, angling or hunting access points from the New Zealand Walking Access Commission, you will see a country quite literally blocked out with the blue access location indicators. There are barely any untapped areas showing; except for the whole East Cape. I believe this is a lost opportunity for our region

The East Coast is definitely no less remarkable as an outdoor spectacle. It in fact offers a unique character and quality which is hugely significant, interesting and beautiful. The Coastline is diverse with outstanding natural landscapes. It has a history of remarkable human stories which go back further than any other New Zealand location. There is a plethora of high interest, cultural and archeological sites. Tairāwhiti is well behind in the investments which have been made throughout the country in such initiatives. Hence, we are also well behind in receipt of the benefits they are generating.

THE ROUTE DISECTED

I was familiar with the area through current links and visits to easily accessible sites. I suspected the district had a much more impressive offering, albeit not easily accessible. In early 2019 I decided to walk a potential route and explore it. I tried to blank my mind to my existing knowledge and see to journey as a new experience and analyse the impression it would make on potential user groups. I was aware of discussions about the Old Coach Rd and this was the obvious route to be the definition of the trail. There is a network of legal roads which could be utilized to get the most “agreed” route. I was also on the lookout for side-trip opportunities. I acquired a contour map from DOC which indicated the Old Coach Road as a guide and over a period of three days walked from Gisborne to Tolaga Bay. Following is the journey which I believe could form the substance of a trail. I am aware that for practicality there may be some alternative passages which will need to be considered and assessed.

I have identified challenges for each section. While it is important to have a full awareness, it is also important to understand all of NZ’s existing and highly successful trails have had, and overcome, such challenges often to a far higher degree. Most of ours are low level and I don’t believe any to be insurmountable.

DAY 1. Gisborne to Te Tupuwae o Rongokako Marine Reserve

WAIPAPOA RIVER TO OKITU 11KMS Our first unique point of difference would be that a visitor could walk or cycle out of local accommodation and immediately begin the journey on already established pathways from anywhere within the city. Likewise, a south bound traveler could commence their journey from Tolaga Bay accommodation. A logical southern trail bookend would be the Waipaoa river mouth, which will soon have an established pathway linking through the city and out to Wainui. This section would take in the beachfront of Turanganui a Kiwa/Poverty Bay, city, port, Titirangi maunga and city environs to Wainui.

Situation and Challenges.

- Trail ready with imminent cycle/ walkway to Waiopoa River mouth.
- Story boards at river mouth indicating start finish photo op.
- Historical story boards depicting the historical iwi and cultural significance of the location
- Linkage from bottom of Titirangi to existing cycle/walkway to be established



OKITU TO MAKORORI About 2km There is an existing pathway which runs through Lysnar Reserve parallel to the beach and road. This is already easily walkable and offers coastal vista's and activity on one side and pastoral hillsides on the other. Much of this sector features pohutukawa groves. The terrain is flat and easy.

Situation and Challenges

- Virtually trail ready
- Walkway done but cyclability will require simple widening and a couple of very small culverts.



MAKORORI HILL. The hill has a network of existing pathways which can already be walked or biked. The top of the hill presents a great panorama over bush, hillsides headlands and the enticing blue of the pacific. One can overlook some of the best surf breaks in the country, even see the surfers and on clear days pick out the profile of the Mahia peninsular. There are shade areas and significant native plantings.

Situation and Challenges

- Trail ready with great views
- Story board on summit
- Significant Heritage Value

OKITU BUSH The Makorori tracks link to the existing tracks running through Okitu Bush Reserve. One moves into the shade and charm of our native bush and can hear the chortling of Tui, Kereru and other native birds. You are very likely to have the pleasant experience of delightful fantails flittering around your head. It is a short but pleasant NZ bush experience.

Situation and Challenges

- Trail ready.
- Native Bush experience
- Road crossing from Makorori Hill to Okitu Bush potential danger

UP AND ALONG THE HILLS. I exited the Okitu Bush at the top then headed up the established road off the end of Sirrah St to the road end. This is a deviation from an intention to follow the Old Coach road. This section is private land but there is an unformed legal Rd over the valley. I was aware of just how special the walk is. The views are significant and would be a highlight feature of any visit or journey. At the road end I trudged further to the top of the hills where the suspected awesome 360 degree panorama unfolded around me. It is truly spectacular up there. I moved north along the ridgelines picking out tracks as I could. I observed what could be a very functional established track which could easily be share purposed for use as the trail. About halfway along Makorori, I descended and rejoined the Old Coach Rd which was on Makorori Beach.

Situation and Challenges

- Private Property ownership would need support and acceptance
- Fencing off may be required address potential disruption to farming activity.
- Some track improvement
- User etiquette and farming activity education



ALTERNATIVE SECTION

MAKORORI BEACH The above is an option which I believe enhances the whole. I am aware that on a purely practical basis the option would be to continue on from the lowest Northern point just below the stairs of Makorori Hill and do that whole section along the beach or low dunes. However, I believe best trails are those that remove themselves from civilization. Makorori beach has traffic and very easy accessibility already. One can simply drive there and get out of the car. Any opportunities to get separation should be considered as preferable. Though along the beach is an easier option I believe the upper route is a better offering.

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Situation and Challenges

- Walker ready
- Completing the link from the bottom northern side of Makorori hill is required to get around the point to the beach.
- Will require some cycle tracking (Perhaps limestone chip on low back dunes)

TATAPOURI HILL My only real option was to walk up the roadside on the southern side of the hill. Just before the crest of the Tatapouri Hill, the hills on the seaward side have a formed farm track which leads out to Tatapouri Point and then down into the established campsite. I didn't take that track due to a notice advising hazard area and stating permission must be sought. However I believe it could be a feature walk and necessary to get away from the road. Like the Makorori hill section this is in private ownership and will require owner permissions and acceptance.

Situation and challenges

- There is sparse room on the southern side of the hill for traffic/trail user separation. Would need to form a narrow off-road track on the seaward side.
- Northern side option of using the existing farm track would need owner consent and user separation, possibly fencing.



TATAPOURI NORTH There are many grassed sections along the shorefront. I also walked some distance along the tideline. The deepest sea ingress on the high tide is the section which has the seawall. Due to the nature of the rocks, a section of this would not be possible to bike. At high tide it is under water. The top of the seawall has a flattop about 40cms wide and I was able to walk along the top of that sea wall. The solution is to expand off the top of the sea wall. Because of the proximity of the road this is the only practical option though the other side of the road could be investigated.

Situation and Challenges

- Trail recognition and agreement
- Some sections of simple limestone chip track formation for cyclists
- Extending out the top of the seawall to enable it as a walkway/cycleway section.
- Sea proximity and tidal limitations

TURIHAUA TO POUAWA The beach walk along is splendid. The sand is firm and easy to walk on and its sweeping direction changes and lighting changes keep it interesting. There is ample seabird life to observe and often fishermen and beachcombers adding interest. Sea gazing is always an interest. It also has a plethora of interesting driftwood and rock formations all along the way. The Turihaua stream is easily crossed on the beach, though it was a drier period when I walked through. While for the most part the beach is firm, that is not always the case so while the section is walker friendly enabling cycle user suitability will require significant off beach options.

Situation and challenges

- Walker ready
- Crossing Turihaua Stream
- Cycle track (limestone chip) formation above beach



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POUAWA TO TE TUPUWAE O RONGKAKO MARINE RESERVE The wonder of the pristine coastline continues for a couple of hours with a beach walk continuing on to enter the reserve area. This is an interesting and picturesque area to take in at a leisurely pace. The scenery is dressed by dunes, the meandering river, birdlife, other possible wildlife and impressive mountain backdrops.

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Situation and challenges

- Walker ready
- Engaging activity area
- Cycle trail in dune area
- Crossing the waterway entering the reserve will require a bridge or usage of the existing road bridge on SH35



DAY 2 TE TUPUWAE O RONGOKAKO MARINE RESERVE TO PAKARAE STATION

AROUND THE RESERVE HEADLAND/ PARIOKONOHI POINT After an early start to enable best use of tides I walked around the headland. It is an interesting section to get around the point. The papa rocks are smooth and slippery and traverse tide dependent. Further around the point there were some remnants of concrete and wood structures which was a very early road causeway and would have given some roadway definition to our ancestral travelers. This was the first of many instances where I was in absolute awe of the sheer hardship of transit which was the Old Coach Road. It is a strong area for wildlife viewing. I stopped to check out the shag colonies in the trees. The sand is soft and it's a bit of a slog but the tranquility is a highlight. There are a couple of sections of rock outcrop along the beach and a small creek to cross. This walk eventually arrives at the Waiomoko river mouth

Situation and challenges

- Walker ready though tide dependent
- Historical Interest
- Suspension Bridge or SH35 bridge clip on required
- Potentially dangerous classification around the point cliffs
- Feature area to spend more time (swimming, snorkeling, wildlife viewing, photos etc.)
- Cycleway will require formation of alternative route
- Wharemapou Stream may require small bridge or culvert



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- Two alternative routes**
1. Up and over the hill. Existing track
 2. Through a valley pass around the inland base of the hill
- Alternatives will require landowner permissions and some stock consideration
 - Sections of trail development on the back of the dunes (limestone chip)



WHANGARA. Very close to the river mouth is the small township Whangara. I made my way back to the public road to circumnavigate Whangara village and marae which is the mana whenua of the Ngati Porou hapu Ngati Konohi. This area has a unique authenticity and historical story telling appeal which is quite outstanding. I stopped on top of the hill to overlook Whangara with Paikea riding the whale proudly featured atop the marae and the picturesque small church captivating my attention. Nearby Whangara Island is said to represent Paikea's Whale having turned to stone and its profile is indeed whale-like. The highly acclaimed movie 'Whale Rider' was filmed here and created interest in an important element of prominent in Ngati Porou history.

Situation and challenges

- Trail walk and cycle ready
- Maori heritage value. Respecting cultural sensitivities. Acceptance and support from mana whenua and the community
- Visitor etiquette
- Accommodation potential and possibilities
- Other hospitality and tourism openings



WHANGARA TO PAKARAE RIVERMOUTH This was an expansive interesting and engaging beach and dune walk. There is wheel track which bypasses the village and heads along parallel to the beach for some 300 metres and can either continue on or link onto the beach. The road and trail could be easily adapted for a cycle trail though some formation through the dunes at the Pakarae river mouth end will be required. There is an interesting wetland area up in the dunes.

Situation and Challenges

- Walk ready
- Legal Road parallels the beach
- Approximately 70% is currently cycle usable (road to sand quarry). The last 30% to the river mouth will require cycle trail (limestone chip) formation.



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PAKARAE RIVER. The river was bigger than I had expected. It is an interesting and entertaining place to stop for a while. There are masses of different birdlife with herons, swallows, oyster catchers, shags, terns and various seagulls all entertaining. Actually, they were boasting they had wings to cross the water and I had – a walking pole! I swam across the river. The very early bridge has long gone. This is an historical site for the Old Coach Road as there were two hotels located there for the refreshing and overnighting of travelers.

Situation and Challenges

- Suspension bridging of the river
- Weather and tidal risks around river mouth.
- Excellent location for accommodation facility



PAKARAE RIVER TO PAKARAE STATION. 5km. Navigating from here was to follow the snake like form of the Pakarae river. It's an interesting river but not particularly attractive in the clear water sense but it is an open valley trail with substantial pastoral farming interest. The Old Coach Road which is legal road, has been taken over as the stock trails. As such there were some muddy sections from stock mulling. I followed the river for a time. After the map indicated I move away from the river I followed the legal (paper) road moving quietly through the lowlands which is an operational sheep and cattle farm to eventually come to a farmhouse and woolshed. This is an available roading access point back to Highway 35

Situation and Challenges

- Walker ready and largely cyclable.
- Will require owner occupier permissions and acceptance. Discuss route options that fit in with farm management and establish easements if appropriate.
- This is through an extensive sheep and cattle farming operation and would require separation (fencing) and trail upgrading.
- Some small sections of mud pugging could be metaled
- Stock management education and user etiquette to the unfamiliar.



NB ALTERNATIVE ROUTE

In the earliest days of the Old Coach Road the trail stayed on the coast going around Gable End and Puatai Sandy Beach and Rocks. This is a more challenging trail and for the most part stays hugging the beach. It has quite difficult and tide dependent areas. Though the northern sector is a legal road. Hence it may not offer the spectacle of the wondrous vistas of the high traverses to come from the more established and user-friendly route taken. However, it should stay in consideration as an alternative. With the lighthouse, extinct village, history and geology it has huge interest and offerings.

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DAY 3 PAKARAE WOOLSHED TO TOLAGA BAY

PAKARAE TO LOISELS 7kms This is a long spectacular section. I was back on the track at 7am having witnessed an awesome sunrise, which will be a trail feature from so many spots; first sunrises. The route followed the stations stock track and snaked up the hills. The views improved by the metre. It is a good track, though a bit stock pugged. It has a couple of well-placed switchbacks and the gradient would be acceptable for mountain-bikes. Coming over the top the great pastoral and mountain views behind now become challenged by the vibrant green of the next valley being capped by the Pacific Ocean ahead. The trail leads down from high above but toward the Ocean offers beautiful coastal vistas as well as views out to the west featuring wonderful hill country and Mts Hikurangi and Aorangi. The next few hours were quite mesmerizing, an absolute reward for the appealing up and down effort. The track and terrain are well defined and in good condition. It wasn't particularly difficult terrain. Eventually after another couple of remarkable and mesmerizing hours a house popped up and I met the road which led out to the Waihau Road which leads down to Loiseles/Waihau Beach.

Situation and Challenges

- An awesome, interesting and picturesque section
- Well defined and good condition trail
- Traversing a significant distance within an operating pastoral farm.
- Permissions and iwi and land owners acceptance and support.
- User etiquette
- There are two unformed legal road options



LOISELS/WAIHAU BEACH (2.1kms). The sand seems even softer and deeper sand than other beaches and it will be a section with challenges regarding enabling cycle use. I strolled along the long glorious beach. A trail could be at the back of the dunes along the line of trees and after the tree line is lost, continue on along the back fringe of the dunes. There is another creek outlet about halfway along which will require a very small bridge, raised boardwalk or culvert. The Northern end is challenging. The cliff face comes down to the high-water line and it is a very high steep hill/mountain to get around. A trail may need to go inland and around and because of the size of the hill it may have to go in quite far in a couple of places. Worst case scenario if a suitable route couldn't be found is bikes would need to be pushed or carried 250 metres through the beach sand.

Situation and Challenges

- Loiseles village could easily set up for servicing area (accommodation, food communication etc.)
- Sand soft and deep hence not biker friendly
- Two areas possibly requiring very small bridge or culvert. (NB most of the year very minimal flow but for guaranteed trail continuation)
- Trail formation off beach for cycles





Tolaga Bay Bookend

I would like to explore this end a bit more. Because of the tree cover which is Sheltons Reserve, there was just the merest glimpse of the spectacle of Tolaga township, the Bay, the Uawa river, the islands and the mountains beyond from the top. The hidden spectacle is a lost opportunity. You walk three quarters of the way down the public road down the hill with the reserve trees up high around you until you break out at the bottom and by then, the superb vista is lost. Then it's a long road walk to the wharf. It is kind of anti-climatic. Though it would be very quick on a bike. My thoughts to really bookend the trail would be to bring it around to link to the Cooks Cove walk from Cooks Cove. I did spot a potential trail coming off from just above the reserve but it will be private land (Sheltons I think) and I know it is further "big" country through there but there is also an extensive flat land near to Cooks Cove. If it is possible it could form a circular trail extension of the Cooks Cove walk. I.e. Cooks Cove continue around and up to Sheltons reserves and back down the road to Tolaga. This may add to the appeal of the Cooks Cove walkway by being circular rather than an in and out walk. This would be worth investigating further.

Situation and Challenges

- Upgrading to Cycle standard
- Iwi and hapu permissions and acceptance
- Owner permission and acceptance
- Trail suitability
- Stock and farm practice continuity
- Fencing
- Availability of suitable route



THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

This report has drawn on conversations and public information from several existing successful trails throughout the country. Partner strategies and funding approaches have been studied. Though NZ trails have quite differing identities, the West Coast Wilderness Trail (WCWT) and the Kawatiri Coastal Trail (KCT) have similarities to a Tairāwhiti option - style, size, remote access etc. They have published economic cases and I have extracted information which could well be reflected by such a trail in our region.

- Establish our visitor magnet. Such a trail would be popular across a range of age and interest and attract visitors.

Te Tairāwhiti is limited in its ability to really compel visits. We have short term activities whilst here, but this trail has capacity to act as a real magnet, which would then benefit our existing visitor infrastructure. Travellers will come to the region specifically for this experience, but not only.

WCWT - 94% of the trail riders come specifically to ride the trail Estimated at 7000-10,000 additional visitors per year or between 21,819 and 38,340 day visits per year.

KCT - Forecast to attract 8200 visitors in first year increasing to 16,600 users by 10 years most of who would stay an extra 2.1 nights in the region as trail users.

MBIE - 1.3 million users visited the 22 great rides (2015) Overall annual benefit \$49.4m

- Accommodation

With days in, and days out, this would be a 3-4 day activity minimum. Outside the intended activity visitors would stay for longer periods of time to partake in our existing attractions. Along the trail there are several opportunities to offer accommodation and hospitality. As many of the existing trails throughout NZ, this can be offered as farm-stays, cabins, motels, huts, campsites etc. This is an opportunity for the land owners to add to their bottom lines. Due to our largely "obliging" weather this trail could have a long seasonal ability. Perhaps year long. Outside Gisborne I believe accommodation opportunities would be created for Whangara, Pakarae and Whangara B5 station, Loiseles and Tolaga Bay.

WCWT - Trail visitors stayed an average of 4.3 days in commercial accommodation. Average accommodation spend is \$282

KCT - The trail will encourage visitors to stay longer and indulge in other regional activities.

Shuttle and Equipment Hire

Shuttle services and Bicycle hire have proven to be lucrative business opportunities. Perhaps a possibility for the likes of bags camping gear, fishing rods, hunting and snorkeling gear etc

WCWT - Wilderness Shuttle has grown from 82 hire bikes to 173 and added 10 electric bikes since last season. Wilderness Shuttle Business growth is 40% season to season.

KCT - Trail development will initially require establishment of new businesses.

● Employment

Developing sustainable career opportunities for our rangatahi is a regional desire. Such an initiative offers a wide variety of employment pathways. This starts with the designing, planning and establishing the trail infrastructure. Once established there will be some small maintenance, monitoring and servicing required. But the true benefits are more fully realised as the usage provides the numbers to sustain varied other businesses.

Businesses and employers who will have potential will be:

- Hospitality Lodging - Hotels, motels, guest houses, home stays camping facilities
- Bike Hire. Shuttle services. Bike maintenance
- Food Food retailers, restaurants, dairies, Hangi nights
- Vehicles Petrol, maintenance, hire
- Guiding Supported trail trips, and add-on's such as regional sightseeing, horse trekking, charter fishing and diving, guided hunting, cultural activities etc., and other entrepreneurial. (Possibly Tolaga or Whangara based.)
- Administration Booking, Advising, Marketing
- General services All associated with higher regional visitations

WCWT - 5 New businesses are directly attributed to the trail development.

West Coast Scenic Waterways started with accommodation and now offers kayaking or a small evening cruises along the waterways; drinks and nibbles at sunset. (Could consider on the Uawa).

KCT - The Buller region has lost jobs in the mining downturn with 460 on jobseeker benefit. Their trail is going some way in offering new roles. Expectation is 30 full time jobs for two-year construction phase and 74 full time jobs when in full operation.

The very well-established Otago Rail trail is said to now support 1000 full time jobs and 200 part time.

● Authentic Cultural Tourism Opportunity

There is a very real interest in cultural tourism and eco-tourism. Such a trail is an authentic canvas to capture this market, but more importantly offer an instrument to enable the stories to be told. It has the scope to allow mana whenua to enrich all our lives with their

stories, historical and ecological. Any guidance and tour possibilities would most likely be iwi led focusing on taha maori me hitori korero.

Tolaga Bay would be the start or end point of the trail. Mana whenua could consider the development of many businesses with a cultural experience identity. Accommodation, food and drink, regional activities (e.g. hangi dinner, fishing, hunting, diving, exploring, waka ama paddling, sightseeing etc), and support services etc. On a deeper level success could see the feasibility of a cultural activity centre in Tolaga demonstrating carving, painting and craft making with an associated retail outlet for selling and commissioning of Maori artistry. These potential outcomes would be dependent on a successful trail supplying a steady sustainable customer base.

The big picture is so much more than just a track, it is about enabling the retention of Coastal whanau by presenting many lucrative opportunities to thrive and prosper.

- **The \$\$\$\$ Benefits**

There is clear evidence when delivered properly the cycle/walkways deliver significant financial returns which distribute through the community. Gisborne, but more importantly Whangara, Loisel and Tolaga Bay are perfectly placed to benefit. There are also very real opportunities to the farming operations to add significantly to their bottom lines in various roles.

“Each \$1 investment returns \$3.55 in benefits” (MBIE Report)

COSTS

The determination of dependable establishment costs is out of scope for this report. The work required for this work is quite extensive and more than I as an unfunded volunteer can commit to. There are so many elements to be considered and calculated and this is a big body of work. However, this trail is considered to be a more straight-forward and a less complex proposition than most others which have been keenly co-funded and successfully implemented. Funding is traditionally a shared expense between willing partners. As an indicator based on those of other trails a rough order estimate would be \$5m-\$8m

ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES.

NATIONAL

For some time now successive governments have strongly supported trails development. They are believed to initiate sustainable economic development and support the regions by sustainable wealth generation and jobs growth. The Provincial Growth Fund is very aligned to such projects. Trail development is a priority action in the NZ Tourism strategy. DOC is also a committed supporter who aim the enrich New Zealanders by facilitating outdoor activity and connection to our remarkable natural environment. NZTA are willing partners to roading elements associated to trails. Large National funders such as Lotteries, NZCT etc. are willing supporters.

REGIONAL

THE TAIRAWHITI ECONOMIC ACTION PLAN (TEAP)

The region has recently adopted and agreed on a forward-looking plan. This has identified clearly a strategy to support growth and development. Much of the emphasis is on driving benefits to iwi and hapu and finding opportunities for the “struggling” Coast. This project is very much in alignment with those intentions.

TEAP TASKS

- 4.0 “ Sharing our story to attract talent, capital and visitors”
Authentic Tairawhiti Brand and regional promotion of best place to work and play
- 5.0 “ Growing or tourism sector”
Tairawhiti Tourism plan identifying opportunities for growth, particularly Maori aspirations to be active members as partners operators and service providers.
Historic interpretations. Navigations project enhancement.
Develop specific systems to enable Maori to build Maori tourism. (Product offerings, Operators, training etc.
- 6.0 “ Improving our transport connections”
Upgrade SH35 as a connecting route for tourism. NEW INCLUSION -Tourism roading package for the East Coast
- 8..0 “ Growing our people”
Workforce Development Plan. Jobs growth (especially on Coast). Build capacity of Maori to deliver Cultural tourism.
- 9.0 “ Becoming a business friendly region”
Work together with iwi to establish co-governance arrangements for economic development that are best for region. Develop business plans to increase Maori participation in key sectors (tourism)

The detail sitting under all these identified tasks is seen to be addressed and progressed as per the identified actions seen in the Plan. If the plan is to be successful under the frameworks presented then such a project can be a significant contributor.

TAIRAWHITI 2050

GDC's Spatial Plan also has alignment to such a project. An intention is stated to be transformational and provide infrastructure to make businesses thrive. One of the risks noted is **"the population of our rural townships are projected to continue to decline"** This proposition is very Coastal advantage focused. It seeks to address the needs and aspirations of Maori and under the Maori economy has an intention to **"support capacity building, economic development opportunities and entrepreneurship to ensure the Maori economy booms"** The trail also very much aligns with Outcome 6 to **"Celebrate Our Heritage"** and take the opportunities to, **"Showcase the rich cultural heritage of the region eg expanding the Navigations project by developing new heritage trails along the Coast and inland and telling our stories"**. It states that we will, **"Work with local tangata whenua to identify opportunities to incorporate historical and cultural references within new infrastructure."** There is a clear aspiration that **"Tairawhiti provides a world class, authentic tourism experience."**

ALL STRATEGIES POINT TO THIS PROJECT TO ENABLE THEIR DESIRED OUTCOMES

TECHNICAL

While it is accepted that there will be some challenges, construction is believed to be relatively straight forward on a trail's comparative basis. As stated, the route is virtually ready to walk but cycle friendly enablement will require three suspension bridges, sections of limestone chip pathways, fencing, signage, strategically located toilets and culverts. No unsurmountable issues have been identified.

??? CHALLENGES ???

- **Build it and they don't come.** Being a slow starter on trail initiatives there is ample proof of success and case study information demonstrating strong use and uptake.
- **Budget blowouts** This trail construction is believed to be one of the countries more straight-forward. We have the advantage of case studies and expertise the national trails programme has fostered along the way.
- **Easements and permissions** Some sections will require willing partnerships of which are some are currently not secured nor indicating initial support. This has been a primary challenge on trails and has been overcome with different strategies and agreements. We will be wanting to learn from their shared experiences and solutions. The proposal is planned to largely follow what is currently a legal road network.
- **Disrespectful users** User surveys indicate a profile which is largely respectful and aware. Standards can be set, maintained and adhered to.
- **Low quality product** Trail popularity and high usage is not a given if the quality of the product does not meet the consumer expectation. The only option is to present this trail to meet the expected standard.
- **Disruption of farm practices.** Trails commonly need to have a symbiotic relationship with associated farmland and arrangements and agreements are adopted to ensure any potential disruption is addressed.
- **Misunderstanding** It is vital that this project is seen as more than just a walking and cycling trail. Such a belief could suppress enthusiasm in some quarters and compromise delivery.
- **Too many people** The aim and intention is of course to get lots of people. However, the trails are booked and utilized in a more spread and coordinated way than the carnage of an event. Apart from stop locations, on a given day within a two or three hour timeframe there may be a presence of visitors passing by with the location back to seclusion the rest of the time. This offers a significantly better business model to associated businesses by presenting a steady controlled stream of their potential customer base. i.e. If a business capacity is 30 head/day then steadily maintaining that number is much more lucrative than an inability to meet occasional over capacity situations.

NEXT STEPS

- **HIGH LEVEL BUY IN AND SUPPORT**

Success will require one waka. Government and their relevant agencies, GDC, Funders, TT, Iwi landowners, the community etc all have to “get it”, recognise their roles and pledge support.

- **DISCUSSIONS WITH IWI AND HAPU**

The author acknowledges the mana and rights of iwi and hapu. While it may seem this report is remiss of those discussions, the intention is to enable the necessary korero by laying the detail and possibilities out for all to consider next steps in an informed and un-siloed manner.

- **DISCUSSIONS WITH LANDOWNERS**

There is general support indicated, but not from all. Those crucial to enablement need the opportunity to fully assess the concept considering their own responsibilities. The hope is that initiating this conversation will better inform all parties to the challenges and concerns from key stakeholders and encourage investigation into possible common grounds and mutually beneficial resolutions. This report is designed to very much expand on conversations.

Discussions with NZ Walking and Access Commission has indicated their function is to “ help negotiate, establish, maintain and improve public access to the outdoors. Resolving access disputes and negotiating new access is an important function.”

- **ESTABLISH THE ENTITY TO DRIVE THE PROJECT**

Success will require commitment. It is essential to get a cohesive, committed group. The project will require a governance body with clear strategy, leadership and direction, relevant skills, and role clarity.

- **FUNDER APPROACHES AND AGREEMENTS**

Trail development has traditionally had widespread and varied funder support. MBIE has often funded early stages and then development has been significantly progressed with PGF funding as a primary source. NZTA has been a willing contributor of roading and bridging elements for trails within their strategies. DOC is supportive. With the regional benefits identified one would expect some interest from ECT, AT, GDC, Regional funders, philanthropist’s, businesses and individuals.

- **AGREE THE ROUTE**

The route will firstly require agreement from all parties and stakeholders. Planning, surveying, cultural, ecological and engineering investigative work will then feed into the true economic reality of construction. Though the Old Coach Road is the logical route, it could be that those with a more intimate knowledge of the area could introduce mutually acceptable alternative options to sections which present obstacles.

CONCLUSIONS

“This trail would be a quality offering with significant community development benefits on many levels”

It is believed that this trail would be relatively easy to construct and require minimal maintenance. Though it does add some complication to the establishment, we must enable dual user status as mountain biking trail demand is growing at an incredible rate. The terrain and style of the trail will have some appeal to hikers but the main appeal will be as a cycle trail. It may also be worth considering horse riding sections. A feature attraction of our trail would be the ability to have a very long seasonal usage, unlike most perhaps even a full year use. 265,000 visitors per year participate in walking and hiking. The biking option is already huge and is the fastest growing activity. The visitors are drawn to those trails dominant in the market such as Milford Track, Routeburn, Kepler, Old Ghost Road, Tongariro Northern Circuit, Otago Cycle Trail etc., all of which all become very unattractive options through the cold months and are closed for over many months in the year. Because of very high demand many are oversubscribed and not that easy to get on.

Kaitiaki must be senior partners. Significant areas are under ownerships which must be considered and property rights must be respected. Any potential public use will certainly need to be aware of and acknowledge protocols and expectations in making a controlled trail publicly available.

Trail developers must design to allow easy maintenance of the track at the expected quality. There have been learnings and the best one is by being thoughtful up front and producing a track which has minimal maintenance requirements and good end user engagement. Volunteer participation has been surprisingly keen in the track preparation phase and good people management has often enabled continued participation in ongoing maintenance.

A significant feature is the old road itself and many of the stories would revolve around that. The first sentence I read in my research in the museum was:

“To proceed up the coast the traveler should provide himself with a good horse as the road is rough and often really bad”

Looking at some of those very early photographs that could be an understatement. With so much of it being absolute coastal travel, planning had to carefully consider tidal movement with elements unpassable on the high tide, or a weather pattern which could have drivers and passengers alike digging out coaches axle deep in thick unforgiving mud. Now having walked it I am in absolute awe of the travel they undertook.

The heritage value and potential should not be understated. The cultural stories about the entire distance and the many intriguing stories along the route will add considerably to the appeal. Authenticity is the key and there will be many openings to present the authenticity in ways which offer the Coast community very real opportunities. Tolaga Bay etc. could become a hub of cultural activity with sustainability enabled by the popularity of the trail.

There are many activity opportunities along the way swimming, rock-pooling, snorkeling, stingray feeding, sunbathing, cultural immersion, potential horse-riding sectors, photography, etc. There is lots of nature to observe but probably an alluring feature is the serenity and tranquility of a world removed.

The development will require a committed band of can doers in the driver seat with the capacity to involve, encourage and engage as required. That entity would most likely be a trust with broad and inclusive representation. It seems in most instances a trust is the vehicle to the Project Management. It also serves to remove the load on Government, Council, DOC etc. I understand there has long been an understanding and desire that such a journey would be a great initiative and have heard why don't the Government or DOC or Council get on and do it. My research into other successful trail establishment has indicated that it will require many collaborations. While Government, DOC and Council etc. may well have important roles as enablers, the best drivers may well sit outside those organisations. I also believe it empowers a potentially speedier outcome.

But most importantly, there needs to be a realisation that this is more than just a trail. The proposition needs to be looked at as a whole. This is a log-less, low carbon footprint initiative which can provide for our community, not least our Coastal whanau, quality business and job opportunities. Whanau will be able to work together, stay together and thrive together.

My hope is that this report provides sufficient detail to encourage next steps.

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GDC map showing Makorori to Tolaga Bay indicating legal roads.

Orange and yellow roads; formed and in daily use.

Black roads; unformed legal roads largely based on the Old Coach Road.

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