

# PUBLIC NOTIFICATION



## HE PANUI

### Ngati Whatua Settlement Negotiations

Te Runanga o Ngati Whatua is seeking a mandate from Ngati Whatua to enter into negotiations with the Crown on their behalf for the comprehensive settlement of all of the remaining historical claims of Ngati Whatua (that is, the iwi claims and the outstanding hapu claims). The Runangas mandate proposal excludes the claims associated with the South Kaipara Claims Committee as these will form the subject of separate negotiations. It also excludes the claims that have been, or are in the process of being, settled as part of the Te Roroa, Te Uri o Hau and Ngati Whatua o Orakei negotiations.

The Runanga will hold a series of hui around the country to present its mandate proposal to its beneficiaries and to provide an opportunity for Ngati Whatua to discuss the proposal with Runanga representatives. All those of Ngati Whatua descent are encouraged to attend.

The schedule of hui is as follows:

17 May 2008	10am	Te Houhanga marae (Northern Wairoa takiwa)
18 May 2008	10am	Tirarau marae (Whangarei takiwa)
20 May 2008	10am	Copthorne Hotel, Durham St, Christchurch
21 May 2008	10am	Copthorne Hotel, Wellington, Oriental Bay
22 May 2008	10am	Alcamo Hotel, 290 Ulster St, Hamilton
24 May 2008	10am	Puatahi marae (South Kaipara takiwa)
26 May 2008	10am	Orakei marae (Orakei takiwa)
27 May 2008	10am	Otamatea marae (Otamatea takiwa)

#### Mandate Voting Process: Postal Ballot

Voting on the mandate proposal will occur by way of postal ballot of registered adult members (18 years or older) of the Runanga. The mandate proposal is as follows:

*That Te Runanga o Ngati Whatua is mandated to represent Ngati Whatua in negotiations with the Crown regarding the comprehensive settlement of all of the remaining historical claims of Ngati Whatua, excluding the claims associated with the South Kaipara Claims Committee*

Voting packs will be distributed on 5 May 2008 to all registered adult members of the Runanga in advance of the scheduled hui. The pack will include information sheets explaining the Runangas mandate proposal as well as the Crowns Treaty settlement process. If you do not receive a pack, or are not yet a registered member, please contact the Information Officer at the Runanga.

The voting period will commence on 17 May 2008 and will close at 5pm on 11 June 2008.

Further information on the mandate proposal, as well as how to register with the Runanga can be obtained by contacting the Information Officer at Te Runanga o Ngati Whatua, PO Box 1784, Whangarei, 09 470 0720 or at [runanga@ngatiwhatua.iwi.nz](mailto:runanga@ngatiwhatua.iwi.nz)