

## REPORT BACK FROM 6 JULY 2020 TE KOROWAI MEETING

**KIA ORA KOUTOU!**

### TE KOROWAI (TK) NATURE/ENVIRONMENT POU FOR THE KDC ECONOMIC RECOVERY FORUM

Meeting discussed and the following was noted:

- Governance group is a partnership between Kaikōura Rūnanga and KDC.
- Collaborative engaging process, trying to build projects, to recreate immediate jobs after Covid.
- TK is co-leading the environment area.
- Sharyn Goldstien funded by Te Korowai and represents Te Korowai on the Governance group. She convened the beginning of this work 6 weeks ago, started 8 June.
- Mandate was to communicate with rest of Kaikōura conservation community and understand their needs and find solutions
- Sharyn's mandate around governance was in partnership with Chair of TROK Environment Pou.
- A partnership and collaborative process.
- Urgency is proposals are due 9 July.
- There has been 2 community hui and Sharyn has attempted to work with the Chair of TROK Environment Pou.
- Sharyn had difficulties connecting with the Chair of the TROK Environment Pou.
- Sharyn presented the outcome of her meetings with Kaikōura conservation groups based on Predator Free 2050, lots of immediate jobs, supporting rehab centre for wildlife etc and committee was unanimous in their support.
- Everyone including Chair of Governance Group agreed and supported the proposal.
- Sharyn has put 2 proposals through, one for \$4 million and one for \$10 million.
- The Next Foundation says it is a strong proposal.
- Sharyn's time is funded from TK which is public funds and we have to account for this. Concerned about the use of our funds and how this has evolved.
- Concern noted that the Rūnanga is saying they have not been consulted despite many Rūnanga executive members being on the governance group and therefore part of this process. It has been assumed they would be liaising with their own members on all the governance group proposals and updates of their work as it progressed. Sharyn made numerous attempts to consult with the Chair of TROK Environment Pou but got no response.
- The Predator Free Kaikōura concept included the area south - Oaro and as far north as Hapuku, within the 2-3 years, move into the predator free 2050. Start on the peninsular planting, weeding, trapping, can put out 26 jobs immediately, heading out to the rivers,





do the weeding and planting for the rivers within the area. KDC got funding from a Developer, for South Bay beach, need a weeding and planting management plan, need a weed and maintenance programme. Helping the Titi Trust with trapping within the predator-free fence. Phase 2 encouraging the community and at home trapping. Phase 3 Mt Fyffe, wilding pines – \$10 million proposals. Also co-coordinating may include predator free fence on peninsular subject to land owner approval, \$4 million leave out everything except coastal restoration. Ecan have put in a proposal to PGF fund, waterways and plantings. Kevin Heays will also chase up Kowhai Regional Park idea. We only have to focus on predator free. Conservation of sea birds, pick up on community discussions, re-igniting the conversation for an education centre in Kaikōura. If we were to build that around seabirds rather than competing tourism.

- Te Korowai agreed that Te Korowai o Te Tai o Marokura supports putting a full 3 phase funding application (up to \$12 million) for Predator Free Kaikōura to the Kaikōura Economic Recovery Governance Group today and the application will include Te Korowai as the receiving body to administer the funds.
- The Chair thanked Sharyn for all her hard work and efforts and noted she had represented TK well.



## TK MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: DR KRISTA HUPMAN

Dr Krista Hupman was welcomed and nominated on to Te Korowai o Te Tai o Marokura.

- Kirsta is new to the region and has lived in Kaikōura for the past year.
- Employed at the National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research (NIWA) as a Marine Mammal Biologist.
- Co-founder of LeopardSeals.org.
- Research Associate of the Coastal Marine Research Group, in the Institute of Natural and Computational Sciences at Massey University.
- Founder of the National Marine Mammal Centre Trust.
- Member of the New Zealand Society of Marine Sciences & Society of Marine Mammalogy.



## RE-OPENING OF KAIKOURA RECREATIONAL & COMMERCIAL SHELLFISH & SEAWEED FISHERY

Te Korowai Executive has written up a proposal for Fisheries NZ (FNZ) to approve which outlines Te Korowai's involvement with the community consultation for re-opening of Kaikōura recreational & Commercial Shellfish & Seaweed Fishery.





Mark G noted that Covid has had an impact on the timeframe for the consultation. Work needs to begin fairly quickly to run the required FNZ consultation. FNZ are looking at a process period of 13 months.

The Chair will discuss with Mark G the Te Korowai Consultation Plan and adapt to fit FNZ timeframes.

The Chair reminded members Te Korowai wants feedback from their sector groups. Feedback is wanted from individuals and organisations. It is not just pāua, kina, it is habitats, ecosystems, seaweeds, it is the whole system. Members are to go back to their groups and ask for their thoughts on a re-opening. What rules may be required, what is needed, pros and cons? We need to know what groups want. The first stage is informing, put all these proposals into something, go out with the options. We can then come back and listen to groups, put all the science out as well and get feedback. TK will put out a discussion document.

Mark G noted, we need to start getting some options formulated so we can start the regulation stuff. FNZ are keen to participate in talking to sectors with information. A discussion document is needed so everyone can see the pros and cons.



FNZ can assist with the discussion document. Put it in the context of our pāua fishery. We have an existing management framework, but are keen to explore all options likely to be phased in. An adaptive re-opening.

## FAREWELL AND THANK YOU TO MIKE MORRISSEY

Te Korowai invited Mike Morrissey to join the group for lunch so members could express their gratitude and thanks to Mike for his support to Te Korowai particularly in the setting up of Te Korowai and for all his hard and efforts within the environment working for the Department of Conservation.



## HECTOR'S & MAUI DOLPHINS THREAT MANAGEMENT PLAN DECISION

Meeting discussed:

- Real win for TK's process and working with Fisheries.
- The research component of Option Kaikōura was not included and will be needed sometime in the future.
- TK agreed to ask KMG to follow up with the research component not being included with FNZ.
- What the Threat Management Plan showed is the importance of data. We got our dispensation based on the data we put forward.
- The gifts given by some fishers and the losses incurred were noted.

- Sea Shephard is taking a legal case over the Threat Management Plan who feel the decision did not go far enough and want a total close down of fishery.
- Chair thanked Mel and Sharyn for all their hard work.
- Meeting agreed the Chair will forward TK's press release to the Kaikōura Star Reporter and also share on our Facebook and Website page.



## TE KOROWAI CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair acknowledged everyone's work in the last few months in particular to Sharyn Goldstien for all her support and great efforts and to the Secretary for her ongoing work and support to Te Korowai.

## FINANCIAL REPORT & PREVIOUS MINUTES

Meeting approved the June Financial Report and Meeting Minutes.

## SECTOR UPDATES

### Boating Club (Marty)

- Have not met since March.
- Work in progress on the slipway but is on hold with Covid.
- Have a meeting tomorrow night.



### Charter Boat Operators (Peter)

- FNZ are in the process of going through legal aspect within the electronic reporting devices and GPR. Have 20 units to put around NZ.
- Issues with new blue cod regulations with not being able to fillet blue cod at sea.
- Peter will organize charter fish meeting with FNZ to discuss further.
- Peter will provide a paper to KMG on why it isn't working and ask if KMG can assist.

### KDC (Matt)

- New Wharf: nothing to update, tenders closed, number of tenders received.
- All aware of economic recovery workshops, community driven.

### Paua 3 (David)

- Frustration with slowness FNZ are dealing with our issue.
- Not much fishing happening.
- Got rung 10 days ago not to go fishing.
- Whole subdivision and fish plan – dragging the chain.

### Recreation (Richard)

- Keen on getting the pāua and shellfish open. Sometimes we forget about economy built around fishing.
- From the fish point of view, talking to people in general kahawai, red cod, hoki, all suffering from diminishing baseline. Terakihi, blue cod and rig seemed to have jumped up, lot better management around terakihi. Blue cod very good out here and rig on the shore.
- Kaikōura Boating Club is considering if they support Fish Mainland or Legacy, not sure which way it will go.

### Ngai Tahu (Nigel)

- General discussion around customary fisheries and the complaint lodged with FNZ re freshwater Mātaitai.
- KMG are to follow up with FNZ officials on how KMG can engage with the freshwater Mātaitai legal issue.

## AGENCY UPDATES



### **Kaikōura Marine Guardians (Larncce)**

- Submitted 2 pāua submissions.
- Annual Plan is progressing.

### **MPI Hector's and Māui Dolphin Threat Management Decision**



Fisheries Measures:

[www.fisheries.govt.nz/dolphintmp](http://www.fisheries.govt.nz/dolphintmp).

The Hector's and Māui Dolphin Threat Management Plan has resulted in a number of planned Government measures to address threats to the dolphins, including measures to reduce threats from fisheries and the disease toxoplasmosis.

The following link details the South Island changes.

The Minister agreed with the Te Korowai proposal as the most appropriate option for the Set Net Fishery restrictions in the Kaikōura area.

Secondary consultation on Trawl Restrictions and further set net restrictions will start soon as consequence of the recent TMP decisions and measures.

<https://www.fisheries.govt.nz/dmsdocument/40886-mpi-dolphin-tmp-factsheet-south-island-june>

Linked to these decisions is a Transition support for fishers affected by the Hector's and Māui Dolphins threat management plan (see below link for full detail)

In June 2020, the Government agreed to provide support for businesses impacted by decisions on measures necessary to manage the impacts of fishing on Māui and Hector's dolphin.

In Kaikōura two Set Net fishers are eligible for this support. Details of the support are being worked through with MPI and the individual fishers.

<https://www.fisheries.govt.nz/protection-and-response/sustainable-fisheries/managing-our-impact-on-marine-life/protecting-hectors-and-maui-dolphins/transition-support-for-fishers-affected-by-the-hectors-and-maui-dolphins-threat-management-plan/>

### **PAU 3 Fish Plan**

Thank you for your submission. The process is once all the submissions are received (closed on 2<sup>nd</sup> July) the Plan will progress to the minister for a decision under section 11A of the Fisheries Act 1996.

### **PAU 3 Subdivision**

Thank you for your submission. The process is once all the submissions are received (closed on 2nd July). A decision will be sought from the Minister and the regulatory process will progress to a formal sub division if that is the Ministers decision.

The proposed subdivision would facilitate the more effective management of pāua populations affected by the earthquakes, allowing for the utilisation of the southern portion of PAU<sub>3</sub> while better protecting the northern (closed and then potentially reopened ) part.

### **Re-opening of Recreational and Commercial Paua Fishery**

Fisheries New Zealand fully supports the consultation plan that Te Korowai has developed and will support the implementation of this plan and engagement model

Once the proposal has some agreement and detail we will progress through Regulatory Amendment Process so that progress can be made toward opening (see attached PDF on that process and approximate timings). In conjunction with this will be the process of setting the TAC for the two new QMAs if sub-division is successful.



We note that Rachel has distributed some ideas and the requirement to get feedback so we can advance discussions and start to build a proposal.

MPI Science Working Group set to review the University of Canterbury research in August actual date TBC.

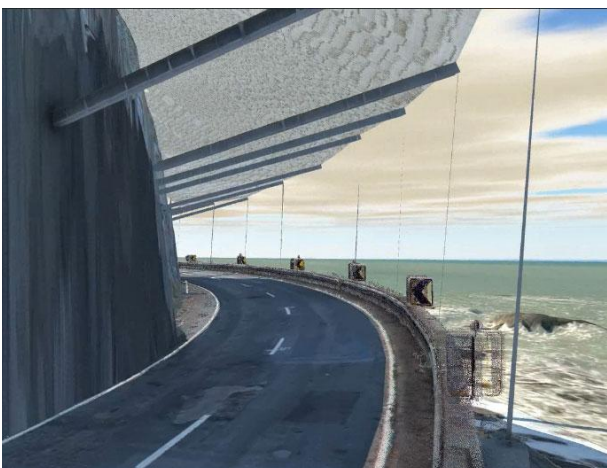
### Compliance Update from Howard Reid

Amatal Mariner fishing in breach of Marine Reserve. Skipper convicted and sentenced to fine of \$15,000 (2July). Company defended hearing (judge alone) 10 August. Impact statement has been provided by Te Korowai and will be submitted regarding any sentencing of the company



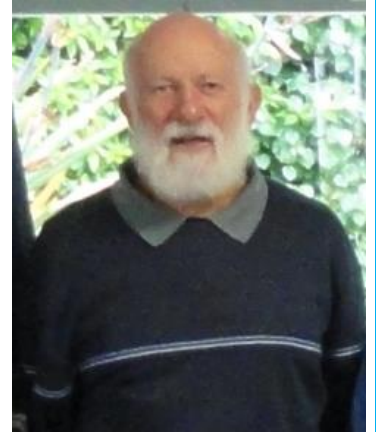
### NCTIR Work (Kaikōura Marine Guardians) (Ted)

- NCTIR will give a biodiversity presentation to KMG.
- NCTIR working is winding down. 15 December all work is scheduled to end except for some administration work until end of December.
- Work happening south of Peketa.
- About 40 jobs need tidying up.
- KMG rep has possibly one more meeting where the whole programme will be reviewed.
- Noted goats and slips are an issue. Goats like to eat the new fresh native tree tips. Need healthy regenerative slips in native bush.



## FAREWELL TO BARRY DUNNETT

Te Korowai o Te Tai o Marokura members expressed their appreciation and said their farewells to Barry Dunnett for his great contribution and support to Te Korowai. Barry is a founding member of Te Korowai. He has been a strong advocate for conservation and has represented his sector group Kaikōura Forest & Bird very well around the Te Korowai table.



## TE KOROWAI & KAIKŌURA MARINE GUARDIANS 2020 MEETING DATES

TE KOROWAI	KAIKŌURA MARINE GUARDIANS
2020	
10 August & AGM	11 August
7 September	
5 October	
9 November	10 November



*"I get the feeling this meeting is boring you, Barnes, and you'd rather be spear fishing."*

## TE KOROWAI O TE TAI O MAROKURA VISION

By perpetuating the mauri and wairua of Te Tai o Marokura our community as kaitiaki of Tangaroa's taonga are sustaining a flourishing rich and healthy environment where opportunities abound to sustain the needs of present and future generations.

Ka ora te mauri me te wairua o "Te Tai o Marokura" i a tātou ngā kaitiaki nō te hāpori tonu, ka ora hoki ko ngā wai, ko ngā uri, ko ngā taonga a Tangaroa, hei painga mō tātou, ā, mō ngā uri ā muri ake nei.



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