

Kaiwhakatere messaging (draft)

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Email from: Anne Haira | To: all staff

Date: Thursday, 21 March | Subject line: Kaiwhakatere Pilot Programme

Kia ora koutou

We wanted to let you know that yesterday afternoon we advised our team that the Kaiwhakatere pilot programme will be concluding on 30 June.

The Kaiwhakatere pilot programme was endorsed by Te Pūrengi in September 2022, and implemented in 2023 within Policy Implementation and Delivery (PID), to run until 30 June 2024. It was established to support regional implementation of reforms to the Resource Management system. With the changes in Government direction, the programme in its current form will conclude.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the kaiwhakatere team for their mahi over the last 12 months. Most of the team stepped out of their home roles within the Ministry to support the setup of this pilot, and we've been lucky to have some very talented people operating in these regional positions. We also appreciate that many of our partners in regions across the motu have valued having someone in the region they could contact.

We have learned a lot from this pilot – it is legacy work for the Ministry. We will use this as the basis for our ongoing discussions as we evolve our approach to regional engagement. Our relationships are extremely important to us, and this will continue to be a strong focus for the Ministry.

While we understand this decision comes during a time of change for the Ministry, this decision reflects that this was a pilot programme which has now concluded, as expected.

We have invited the kaiwhakatere to continue their mahi as we transition to close the pilot, although we fully support those who may prefer to return to their substantive roles in the Ministry earlier.

Ngā mihi nui

Anne

Draft copy: external

Email from: James Palmer | To: key regional partners (list to be developed by Mike Jones)

Date: Thursday, 21 March | Subject line: Kaiwhakatere Pilot Programme

Kia ora koutou

I am writing to let you know that the Kaiwhakatere pilot programme will be concluding at the end of June, as expected.

This pilot programme was implemented in March 2023, to run until June 2024, supporting regional implementation of reforms to the Resource Management system. With the change in Government direction, we are concluding the pilot programme in its current form.

We feel enormously thankful to our kaimahi who have carried out these roles in their home regions, many of them stepping out of their substantive roles to focus on this pilot. I would also like to personally thank you for the time you spent, and the insights you shared, with our kaiwhakatere over the last 12 months.

We place a lot of value in our relationships with you, and with others in the region. We will still have Ministry kaimahi working from within regions across the motu and we remain committed to working regionally so we can deliver enduring and positive outcomes for our partners, our communities and for te taiao.

Our kaiwhakatere will be continuing to operate as usual while we transition towards concluding the pilot. They will be in touch in due course to answer any pātai.

Ngā mihi nui

James Palmer