

Te Miro Whero – Tikanga

- **Does your project or initiative relate to policy/bylaw development, corporate planning, service delivery or business practice improvement?**
- **How have you considered the opportunity to work with Tangata Whenua on the development of your project or initiative?**
- **How have you considered the opportunity to incorporate Te Ao Māori perspectives into the development of your project or initiative?**

Working with Tangata Whenua and incorporating Te Ao Māori perspectives into the work that we do will help us to be better Te Tiriti partners and will also help us support Tangata Whenua to achieve their aspirations – which is what He Rauru Māori is about.

If your project or initiative involves things that are about policy/bylaw development, corporate planning, service delivery or business practice improvement and you haven't considered the opportunity to work with Tangata Whenua or to incorporate Te Ao Māori perspectives into the development of your project, come have a discussion with the Kaupapa Māori team about it.

What could it potentially mean for the project/initiative to incorporate Te Ao Māori perspectives or work with Tangata Whenua?

- The project/initiative could be underpinned by Te Ao Māori (Māori worldview) principles or incorporate Mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge). These could bring a whole new perspective to the project/initiative that would make it better than it would have been without them.
- The project/initiative could impact on the aspirations Tangata Whenua have for their rohe, so could be shaped in a way that recognises those aspirations.
- Working with Tangata Whenua from the outset is good practice but can also help to ensure that your project/initiative has the support needed from them. This way if Tangata Whenua support is a requirement of statute or our Council policy, you've got it covered already.

Who should I talk to?

For projects/initiatives in the Western part of our district – Ben Urbanc and Corey Gaunt. For projects/initiatives in the Eastern part of our district – Chris Nepia. For inhouse projects/initiatives – Chris Nepia and Corey Gaunt.