# Moerewa

## **Community Development Plan**



Moerewa is a unique community that values its people, culture and history. It fosters a vibrant economy within a safe, clean and attractive environment.

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#### Tama tu tama ora Tama noho tama mate

(To stand is to live; to lie down is to die)

#### Kia Ora

This community plan has come out of a long process of dialogue with the community of Moerewa at many different levels. At the beginning of the year Ken Ross approached our community to see if we would be one of the three communities within the FNDC District to submit a plan for community development covering a range of areas. We are aware that the plan covers a wide range of issues and that FNDC aren't responsible for all of the outcomes.

We felt that if we were to do a community plan, we would need to identify all the areas that are essential to the total success of the plan. The parts of this plan that require resourcing and support from FNDC, will be identified and other aspects may require other agencies (ie. Transit NZ / NRC/ and ASB etc.). A lot of other areas would require the commitment of the community. This plan will help us identify who's responsible for what and how we can all work together to make it happen.

The process of capturing the dialogue for this plan started with the establishment of a working party from the community and working with Ken to establish a starting place for korero for a full community hui. The working party hui started back in August of this year, meeting weekly leading up to full community hui on Sunday the  $21^{st}$  of September at the Simpson Park Hall. All of the recommendations for the community plan have come from that community Hui. We had about 50 people in attendance at the hui with a third being young adults who played a major part in the input that came from the hui including the over all running of the event. They have since formed a group to follow the progress of the plan.

The plan you have in front of you has a lot of the aspiration of our community in its development and has a strong mandate from our community. We look forward to your ratification of our plan (and our community's aspirations) and the opportunity to work together with FNDC in the future.

Focus Area: Social

Statement: The community of Moerewa provides and maintains a safe environment for all respected ages while supporting its active community through education, recreation and co-operation to reach its highest potential.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	<b>Key Progress Partners</b>	Time Frame	
Provide and maintain a	Identify 'black spots in town and improve lighting (CPTED)	Community and FNDC	0-5 years	
safe environment	Re-establish and re-activate the Maori Wardens	Community	0-5 years	
	Form Community Patrols in the Township of Moerewa Police, Maori Wardens		0-5 years	
	Provide clear signage near town centre and on side streets	FNDC, Transit NZ	0-5 years	
	Control alcohol consumption in public spaces	FNDC, Police	0-5 years	
Support an active	Establish a 'Community Campus'	Moerewa School,	0-5 years	
community through	Establish Adult Education and Mentoring Programmes	NorthTec,	0-5 years	
education	Establish Parenting and Teen Parenting classes	Moerewa Community,	0-5 years	
	Establish Trade Training courses	and Regent Training	5-10 years	
Support active community	Improve recreation standards and aesthetics of Simpson Park	FNDC and Community	0-5 years	
through recreation	Improve state of Simpson Park Hall and expand the facility by	FNDC, ASB Community		
(See appendix 1 for	adding a gym and extra utility space.	Trust, Sport Northland	0-10 years	
Simpson Park and Hall	Strengthen existing groups and expand the range of sporting,	porting, Moerewa Community		
Development Programme)	recreation and leisure clubs and activities in Moerewa	and Sport Northland	0-10 years	
Support active community	Create a 'Community Council' with representatives from all	Community of Moerewa	0-5 years	
through co-operation	community organisations.	with assistance from		
	Create a 'Youth Council' to speak and act on behalf of the	FNDC and Sport		
	youth in the community and be a part of the Community	Northland	0-5 years	
	Council.			
	Organise community activities such as street BBQ's and sports			
	tournaments etc.		0-5 years	

**Focus Area: Culture** 

Statement: Our community has a strong history in linking everyone to the past and present. Moerewa uplifts and protects its taonga, tikanga and cultures for the next generation and celebrates its diversity and every success.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	<b>Key Progress Partners</b>	Time Frame
Linking to past and	Tuna Café to continue with and expand the showcasing of He Iwi Kotahi Tato		0-5 years
present	local artists, artwork and history	Trust	
	Create a Mahaki to display Moerewa memorabilia	Community	5-10 years
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Uplift and protect taonga	Create a Whare Taonga to show local Taonga and to hold an	Kaumatua, Kuia, Otiria	
	interactive arts display	Marae, Runanga,	0-10 years
		Community	
Uplift and protect tikanga	Establish a Community Wananga at Otiria Marae where	Kaumatua, Kuia, Otiria	
_	people can learn Tikanga, Culture and respect	Marae, Runanga,	0-5 years
		Community	

### E kore au e ngaro, he kakano I ruia mai I rangatea

(We are never lost as we are the seeds that were born in the realms of heaven)

Focus Area: Economic

Statement: The community of Moerewa has a vibrant environment that fosters employment opportunities linked to relevant training and has essential services and infrastructure that enhance its strong economic future.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	Time Frame	
Vibrant environment	Build up existing business facilities such as Tuna café, and	Otiria Marae, FNDC	0-5 years
fostering employment	find a person to resurrect the timber mill		
opportunity	Establish an Information Centre to welcome visitors to	Moerewa Business	0-10 years
	Moerewa, and promote a Tourist Loop from Paihia,	Association, KBA, TPK	
	Kawakawa, Moerewa, Pakaraka and Puketona return.	Enterprise Northland	
Employment opportunities	Develop needed skills in the town by networking with training	Wananga, NorthTec,	0-5 years
linked to relevant training	and educational institutes	PTE's	
	Develop business skills in the community through training and	TPK, WINZ, Biz North,	0-5 years
	business mentoring programmes		
Moerewa has essential	Establish a small public transport system to Kawakawa daily NRC and private		0-5 years
services and infrastructure	for workers, students, shopping and health needs operators		
	Encourage new services to establish in Moerewa such as an	Banks, Government	0-5 years
	ATM, and a Post Shop/Bank, WINZ office (once/week)	Agencies	
Moerewa has a strong	Promote the Otiria Rail Depot so that Moerewa can become a	NZ Rail, FNDC, NRC,	0-10 years
economic future	Road/Rail/Sea Link. Conduct a feasibility study that factors in	NHB, FNH	
	the impact of 'Peak Oil'.		
	Continue to encourage new small enterprises to the area based	Community Council,	5-15 years
	on the sustainable utilisation of the natural resources in the	Moerewa Business	
	area. (e.g. Horticulture and seed banks, tourism based on	Association	
	'Tuna Town' authentic Maori experience; forestry by-products		
	such as mulch and composts from bark and treated sewerage		

**Focus Area: Environment (Built Environment)** 

Statement: As Kaitiaki of Papatuanuku it is our responsibility to continue to protect and enhance the environment of Moerewa through education and restoration to preserve it for future generations.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	<b>Key Progress Partners</b>	Time Frame
Kaitiaki role in Moerewa	Create a cleaner urban environment by reducing waste:	Community and;	
environment	Promote organic waste recycling and compost production	FNDC, NRC	5-10 years
	Establish a Modulock and full recycling system for Moerewa	CBEC, FNDC	5-10 years
	Stop rubbish burning (Inversion layer and pollution problems)	NRC Min for Environmt.	0-5 years
Protect and enhance	Ensure all levels of education in Moerewa (Primary, Tertiary	Schools, Training	0-5 years
Moerewa environment	Training and Community Education) contain basic element of	organisations, Wananga	
through education	'civics'. Aim for a 'Civic responsibility' ethos in society.	and Community Council	
Protect and enhance	Enhance the town environment by: Removing tagging, fixing	Landlords, community,	0-10 years
Moerewa environment	broken windows on town buildings	FNDC (STBP)	
through restoration	Repaint shabby buildings. Build/enhance bus shelters		
	Re-paint paving motifs and signs around town		
Preserve environment for	Encourage town pride through 'Beautiful Street' competitions	Community Council.	0-5 years
future generations.	Have town working bees at communal sites such as the Marae,	FNDC	-
	Simpson Park, Kawakawa Walkway etc.		

**Focus Area: Environment (Natural Environment)** 

Statement: As Kaitiaki of Papatuanuku it is our responsibility to continue to protect and enhance the environment of Moerewa through education and restoration to preserve it for future generations.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	<b>Key Progress Partners</b>	Time Frame
Kaitiaki role in Moerewa	Enhance the natural environment by gaining control over pests	NRC, DoC, NPC, FNDC	0-5 years
environment	and weeds – especially privet and ants.	TRIT (Te Rere I Tiria)	
	Get creative with wastes by turning them in to useful products,	Permaculture and	0-10 years
	e.g. bio-diesel and alcohol fuel production systems	Transition Town groups	
Protect and enhance	Ensure all levels of education in Moerewa (Primary, Tertiary	Schools, Training	0-5 years
Moerewa environment	Training and Community Education) contain basic element of	organisations, Wananga	
through education	ecology. Aim for an 'Eco-literate' society. and Community Council		
Protect and enhance	Clean up the Moerewa natural environment – remove rubbish	Community, AFFCO,	0-5 years
Moerewa environment	from streams and bush areas.	NRC, TRIT	
through restoration	Control farm run-off.	Local farmers, NRC	
	Research and trial composting toilet systems for Moerewa	Community and FNDC	0-5 years
Preserve environment for	Beautify roadsides, railway line area and bridges plus all	Transit NZ, FNDC	0-5 years
future generations.	nearby natural areas to enhance the environment of Moerewa. (STBP), NZ Rail		
	Establish walkways along the riparian areas so residents and	Residents and local	0-10 years
	visitors and enjoy and appreciate the environment of Moerewa.	Farmers, TRIT	

Focus Area: Organisation

Statement: Whilst asserting our Tino Rangitiratanga, the community of Moerewa retains a strong relationship with Central and Local government through the Memorandums of Understanding (MoU's) it holds with them.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	<b>Key Progress Partners</b>	Time Frame
Assertion of	A 'Community Council' consisting of members of all the	The community of	0-5 years
Rangitiratanga	organisations in Moerewa, including the Youth Council, Maori	Moerewa, FNDC, TPK	
(Autonomy)	Wardens and Kaumatua and Kuia will be formed to speak and	and DIA	
	act on behalf of the residents of Moerewa, and to co-ordinate		
	and integrate the activities and needs of the township		
Strong relationships with	Once formed, the Community Council of Moerewa will seek	Central Government plus	0-5 years
Central and Local	to form Memorandums of Understanding with all its key	its Ministries and	
Government and other	external partners. The Community Council will provide a key	Departments, FNDC,	
external organisations	contact point for external agencies, and will also function in	NRC, Top Energy, TPK,	
through the provisions of	decision making processes. The MoU's will be used to guide	Runanga	
Memoranda of	the interactions between the Community of Moerewa, through		
Understanding	its Community Council, and the external partners.		
	All external partners to be given copies of the Moerewa		
	Community Development Plan		

Ma tatou e tatou e korero ma roto i te whanaungatanga

(Self determination through kinship)

**Focus Area: Youth** 

Statement: As Rangitahi in the community of Moerewa, we feel it is our responsibility to encourage the skills and potential of our youth by using our initiative to create a better future.

Goal	Key Actions and How it will be Done	<b>Key Progress Partners</b>	Time Frame	
Establish 'Youth Council'	Formation of Youth Council within Moerewa. (Zethan and Youth in community,		0-5 years	
(Youth 4 Youth)	Shadey to shoulder tap suitable people to be on Youth Community Council,			
	Council).	FNDC, NISS, ASB		
	Representatives from Youth Council to be part of Community	Community Trust, Pub		
	Council	Charities	0-5 years	
	Representatives from Youth Council to become active,			
	supporting members of Simpson Park Committee		0-5 years	
Establish Youth Centre	Identify suitable interim venue until the re-development of	Local Sports Clubs,	0-5 years	
	Simpson Park occurs.	Moerewa Community,		
	Seek funding assistance for youth venue and equipment.	TPK, FNDC, Sport		
	Form and equip a sub-committee of the Youth Council to	Northland, Iwi	0-5 years	
	operate the Youth Centre	Organisations		
Provide activities for	Establish activity groups for youth in community, including	Community of Moerewa,	0-10 years	
Youth and Children	sports clubs, holiday programmes, study programmes and	Community Council,		
	facilities. Include health, career and counselling programmes	FNDC, Sport Northland		
	and facilities. Have culture and Te Reo classes.			
	Provide events, tournaments and classes in dance, performing			
	arts and graffiti.			
	Construct bombing wall and drift track.			
	Hold socials			

A tatou tamariki mokopuna, ko ratou nei ra nga taonga mo tatou mo tenei ao hurihuri

(Children are the most precious treasure a community can possess, for in them are the promise and guarantee of the future)