

Te Ahu Community Facility, Kaiataia, 25th August 2025, 9.00am

Generational knowledge and ancestry, use of land, Te Whanaunui o Waiaua.

- **Introduction:** Moana's Whakapapa/Pepeha - I am a representative of Cultural Authenticity of Waiaua's local history and culture, and as a Kaitiaki of our whenua it is not culturally appropriate to have our taonga under development in this manner, so it is not only my obligation it is also my responsibility to guard my whenua. "Whenua is the foundation of our existence and the centre of all Maori whakapapa connecting bloodlines with people, place and landscape", quoting from *Kia Whakanui Te Whenua* by Caroline Hill a lecturer in Environmental Planning at Waikato University.
- I represent 5 living generations and before me my ancestors from time immemorial this includes Te Whanaunui o Waiaua, Ngati Kura Ngati Torehina who are directly impacted.
- **Our Values:** Tino Rangatiratanga-Self Determination, Kaitiakitanga-Preservation, Tikanga Maori-Our Truth, Maturanga Maori-Our Knowledge
- **Key Argument:**
 1. The lack of a CIA report done at the beginning of the submission process, or through any of the resource consent processes, which we believe is the responsibility of the FNDC process to request applicants to provide.
In light of the key points mentioned by WBF Ltd, who claim one of their philosophies and selling points is offering cultural authenticity, is inconsistent and problematic with the evidence available.
Ref - MLC Memorial Schedule Report - Authority 15NZG276 ref date 04/02/1993 - 13R833. And there are more of these inconsistencies.
 2. I am one of 800 shareholders under MXInc and a member of Te Whanaunui o Waiaua, Ngati Kura and Ngati Torehina not a sole or individual submitter as referenced in *appendix 7 to Evidence of Steve Tuck no.8.96 Consultation and Further Submissions pg 30.*
- **Relationship & Communications:** We have a strained relationship with KC/Waiaua Bay Farms Ltd since it was purchased by WBF Ltd.
Since then the hapu have felt threatened by these developments and have been consistently bombarded with FNDC RCA's requesting extensive alterations to our whenua.

We have made a request to be granted the time to,

1. Acquire experts for research and provide a CIA, and
2. a) Commission professional representation to support our rights to rebut any RCA or Rezoning submissions that conflict with hapu and iwi tikanga and strategic planning.
b) Update our historical records and create ancestral maps.

We request the same amount of time that WBF Ltd had in making their reports – a minimum of three years.

To support this we are providing additional evidence supporting the fact that there are unaccounted for sites of significance from the side of Waiaua Bay Farms Ltd.

(Ref-Wai 375, 520 and 523)

(Ref fg 5 Estate Map identifying archaeological heritage waterfall and beachsites within their masterplan).

- **Historic Native Resources:** Our moana, awa and whenua has sustained generations, *(memory of the abundance of kai from Moana or other whanau experience)*, and traditionally Papkainga for our whanau.
- **Threat to Iwi and Hapu:** Trespass notices, access to our moana, access to our ancestral whenua, restrictions to our wahi tapu and resources, continued disrespect to Hapu trying to preserve what our whakapapa dictates as our responsibility as kaitiaki regardless of ownership and displacing hapu to make a space for clients ie. walking tracks are but some of the threats perceived by Te Whanaunui o Waiaua, Ngati Kura by WBF Ltd and its endeavors to create cultural authenticity.
- **Conclusion:** We will always be impacted by these changes and want Council to provide a fair process, a fair platform to bring our voices and expertise forward to rebut these applications and to reconsider other developments such as the pavilion at the Bay. The Council has the responsibility to prioritize mana whenua and not foreign interests. At its core the realisation of one families vision for a NZ retreat as per Amy Tappers report, is at odds with the rich heritage of our whanau, hapu and iwi vision for our future generations. Our whenua is not your retreat, our culture is not your attraction.

He mea nui o tenei ao he tangata he tangata he tangata! The most important thing in the world is, the people, the people, the people.