

The following resolutions were passed at the Hui a Iwi convened on the 4th June 2010 to discuss the foreshore and seabed replacement framework;

The attendees at the Hui a Iwi/hapū;

1. Recognise that mana whenua, which includes ownership as understood under tikanga, rests with iwi/hapū who are the kaitiaki of their respective rohe moana;
2. Strongly support that the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2004 must be repealed and vesting of the foreshore and seabed in the Crown be revoked;
3. Recognise that the foreshore and seabed is, and must remain, inalienable as that is consistent with tikanga;
4. Accept and affirm that the regime must, in respect of all foreshore and seabed, include the following as principles:
 - a. Explicit recognition of the mana of iwi/hapū as enduring and inalienable;
 - b. Explicit recognition of the partnership of the parties under the Te Tiriti o Waitangi.
5. Accept and affirm the following as components of the replacement framework;
 - a. Direct negotiations between the Crown and iwi/hapū, provided that settlements and breaches of the Treaty of Waitangi cannot be relied upon to extinguish rights;
 - b. Access to the courts as a constitutional right.
6. Emphasise that although the Crown proposal does not meet all iwi/hapū concerns about the foreshore and seabed it appears to improve on the position in the 2004 Act.
7. Recognise and acknowledge the Iwi leaders working group (ILG) for the work and instructs them to further engage with the Crown, to develop and expand understandings, and further improve the outcomes for iwi/hapū.
8. Encourage the Government to recognize that the positions adopted by this hui of iwi/hapū may require a 'longer conversation' between the Crown and iwi/hapū, as recommended by the Waitangi Tribunal and Ministerial Review Panel, and that if a 'longer conversation' is pursued that the repeal of the 2004 Act and revocation of Crown ownership of the foreshore and seabed be progressed in the immediate.