

Māori – Council Engagement



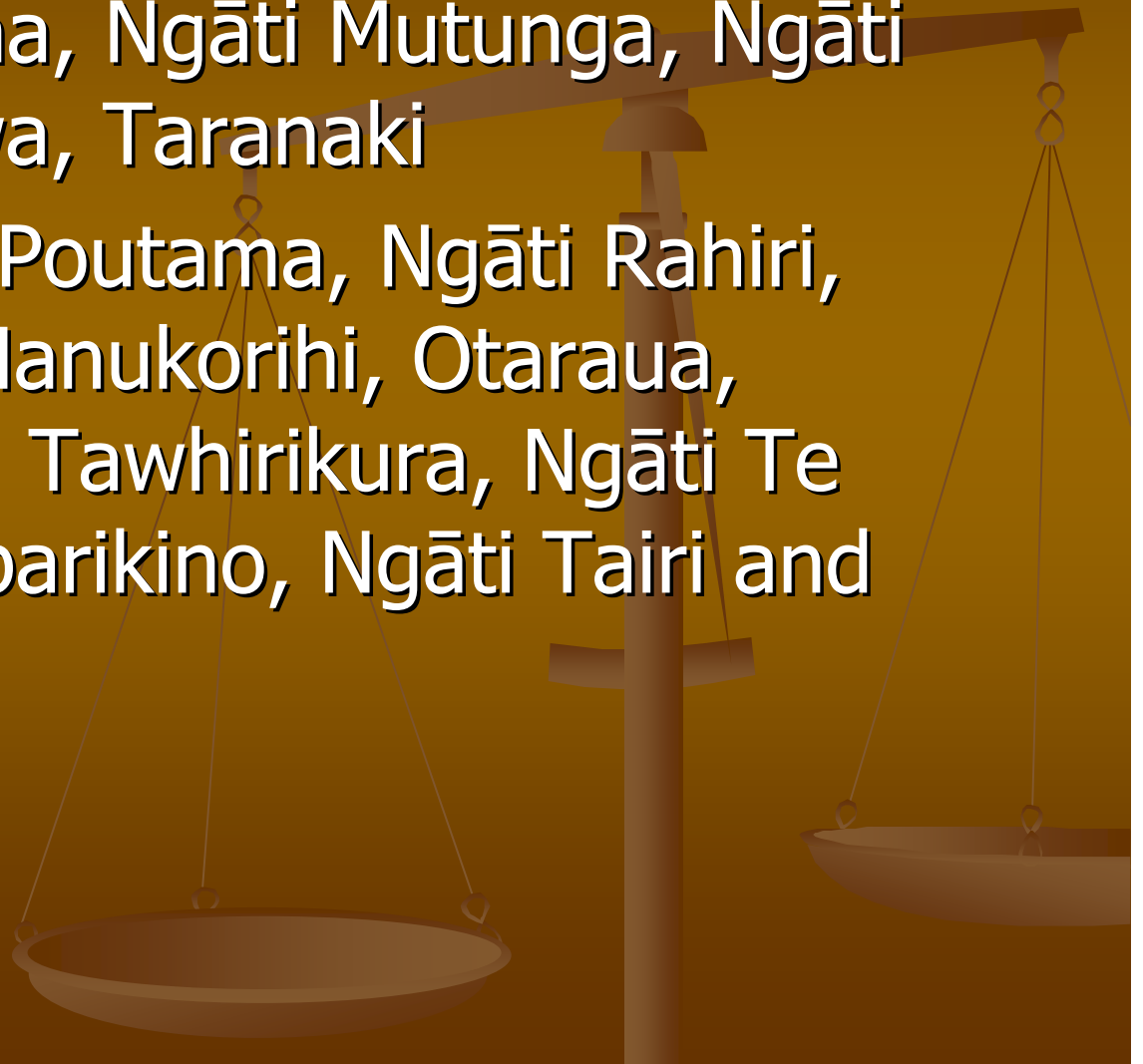
Case Studies

Marae Development Plans

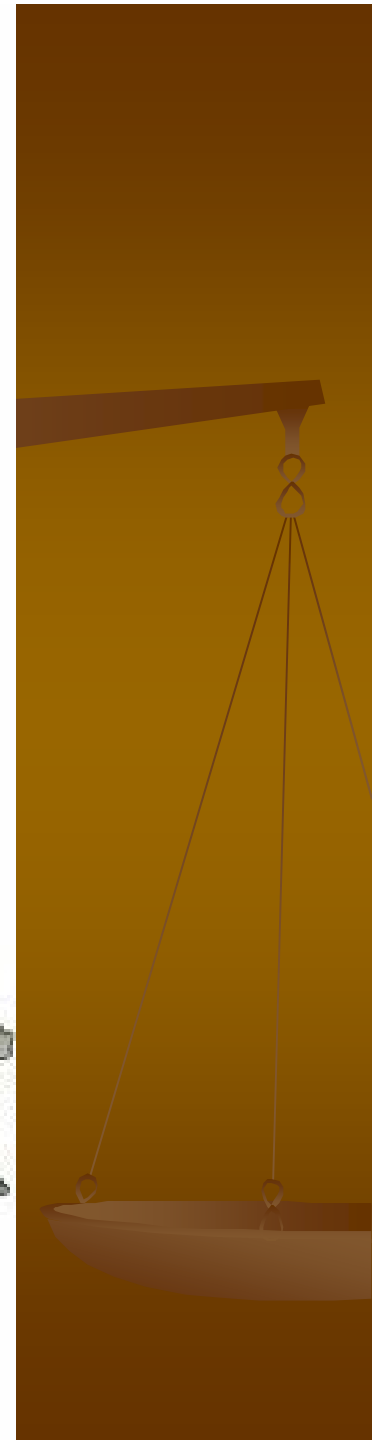
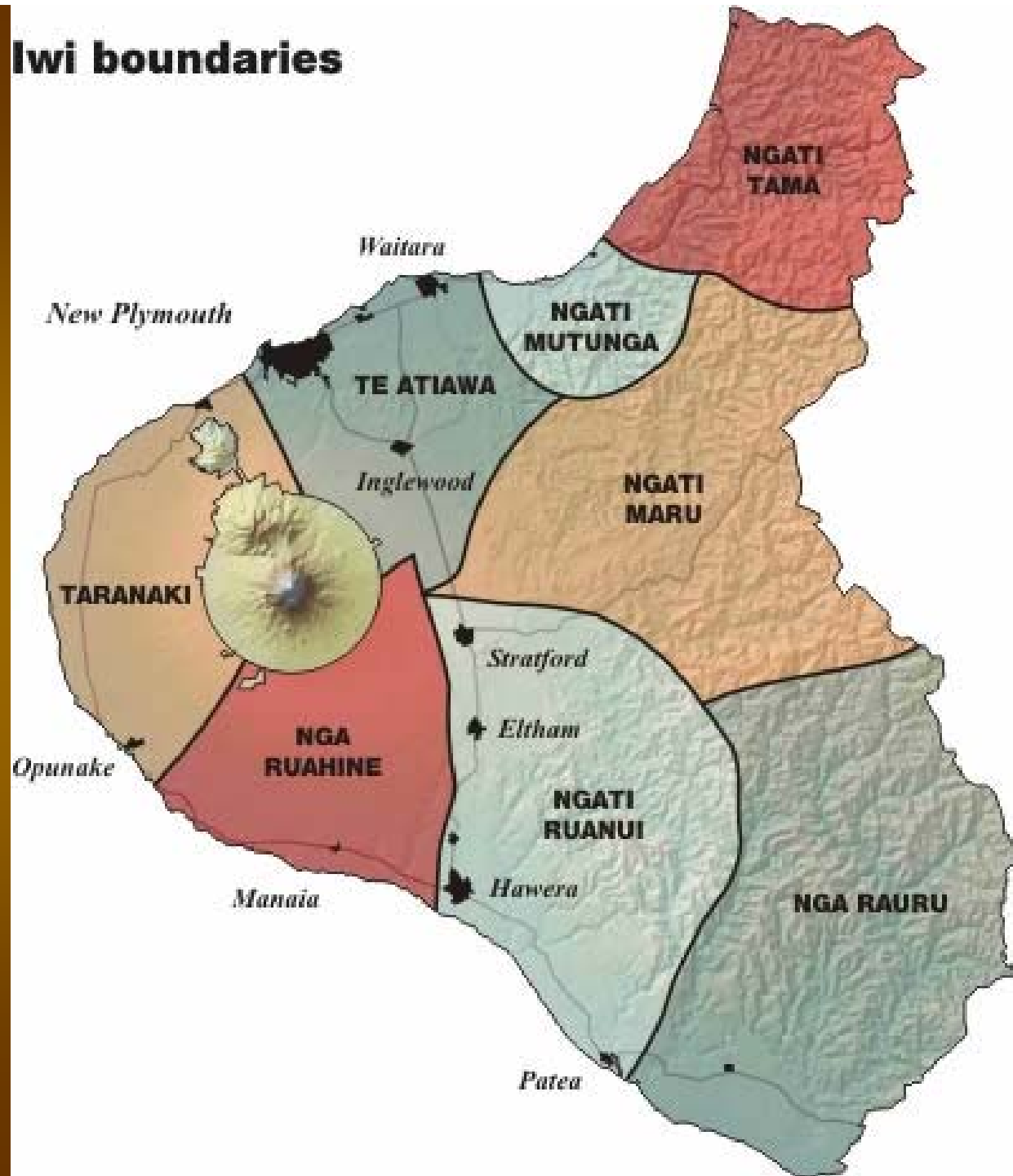
Rewa Rewa Agreement

New Plymouth District

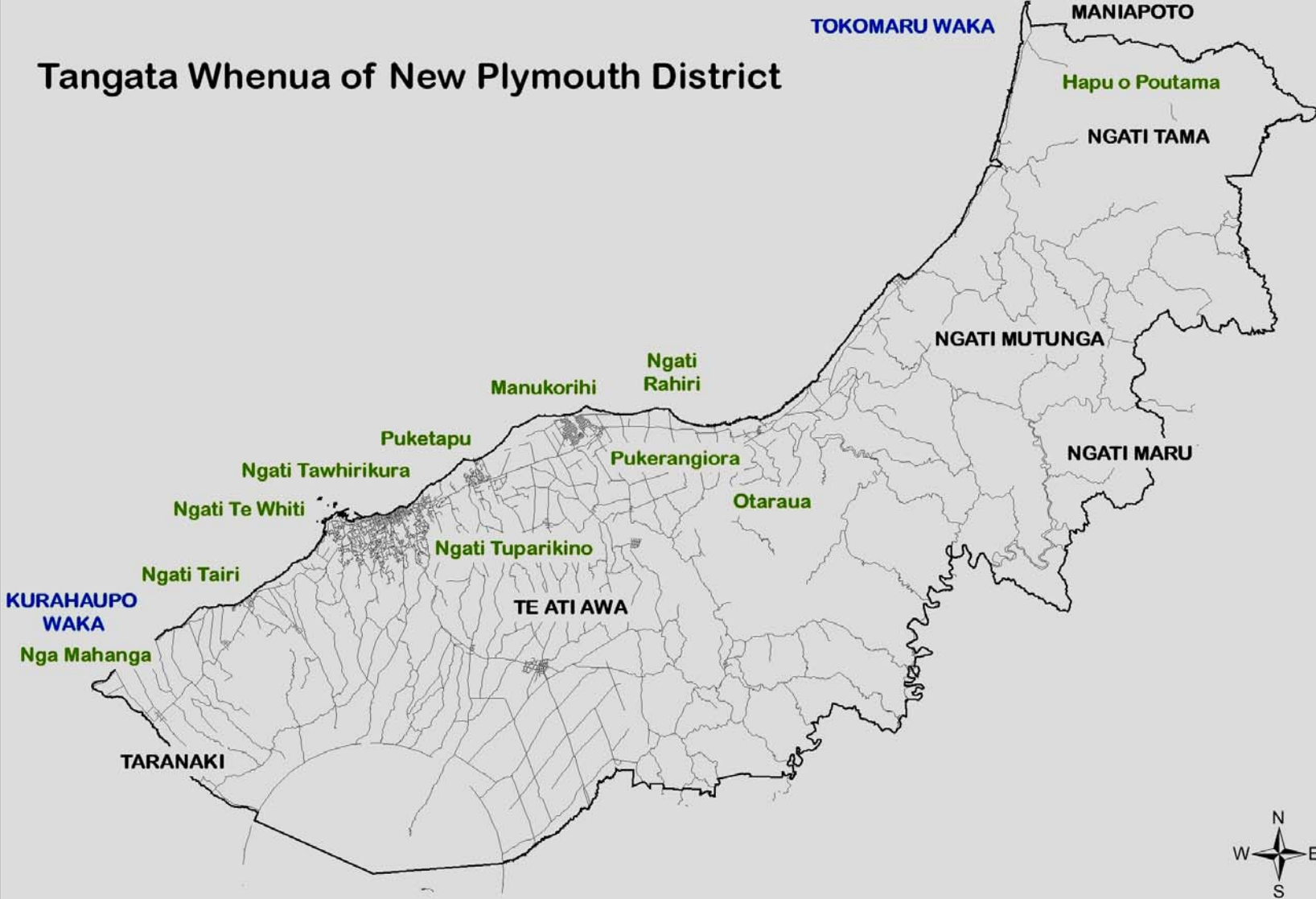
- Iwi – Ngāti Tama, Ngāti Mutunga, Ngāti Maru, Te Ati Awa, Taranaki
- Hapū – Hapū o Poutama, Ngāti Rahiri, Pukerangiora, Manukorihi, Otaraua, Puketapu, Ngāti Tawhirikura, Ngāti Te Whiti, Ngāti Tuparikino, Ngāti Tairi and Ngā Mahanga



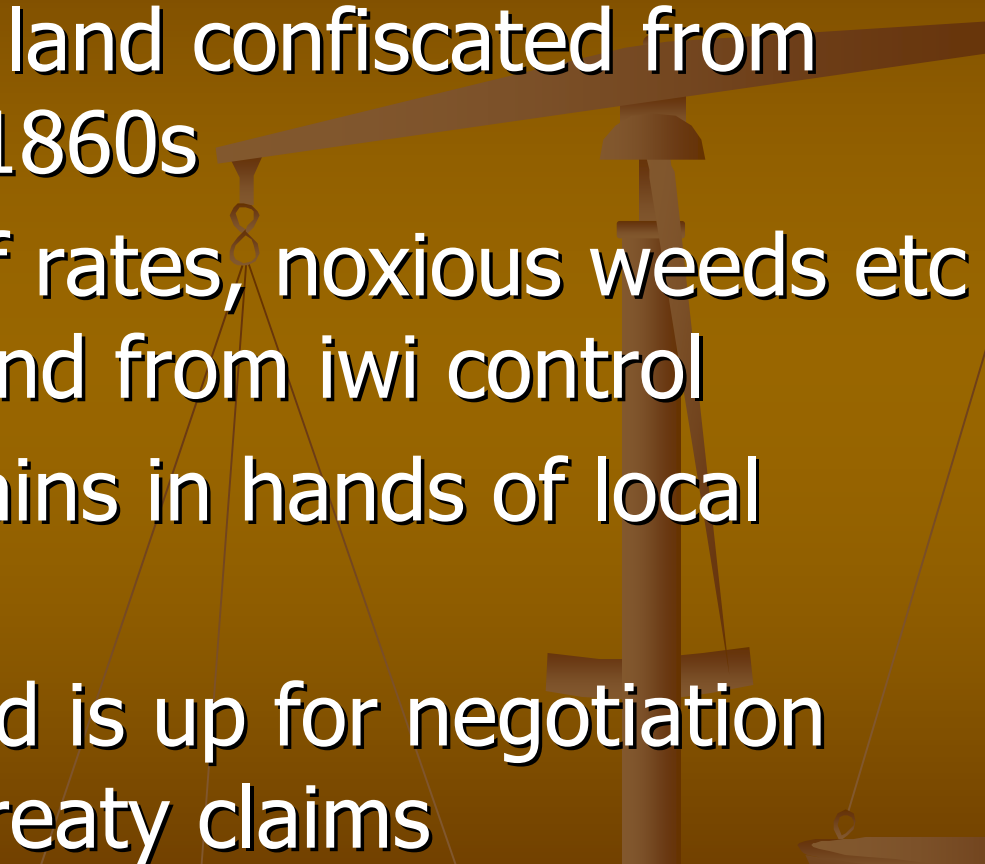
Iwi boundaries



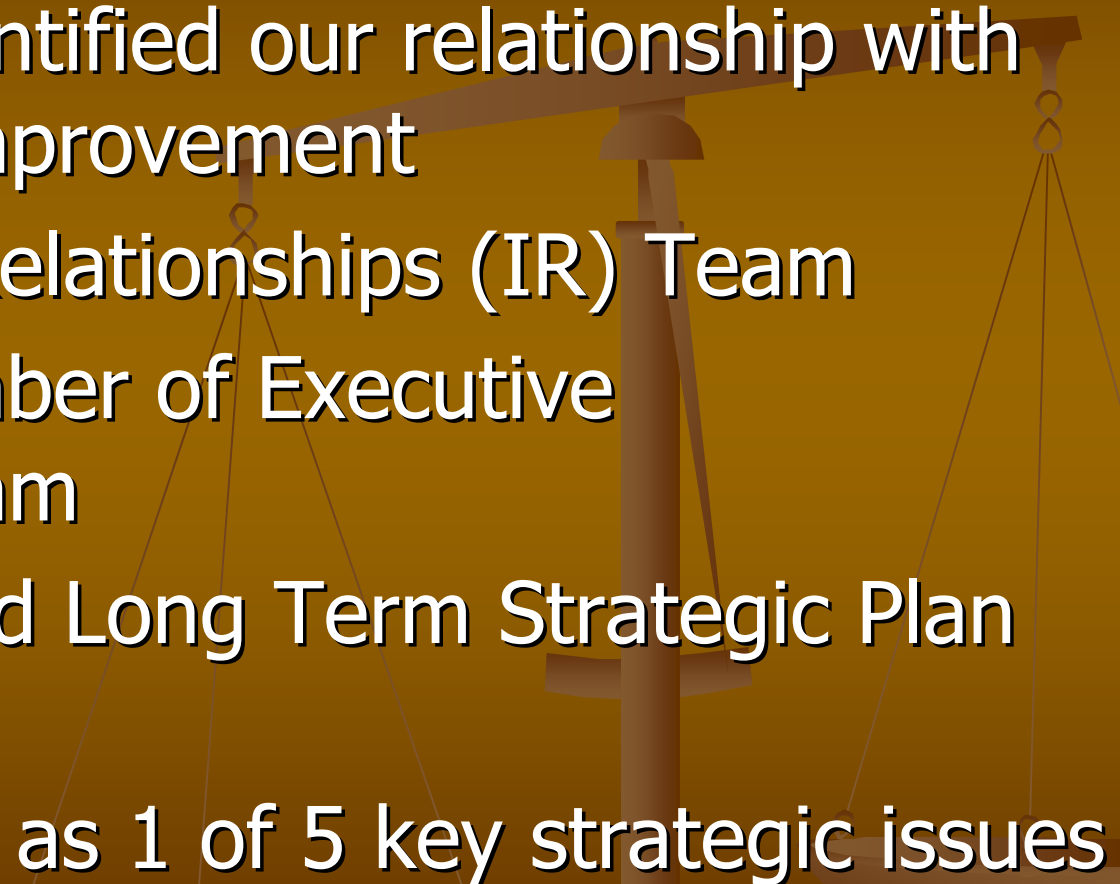
Tangata Whenua of New Plymouth District



Background

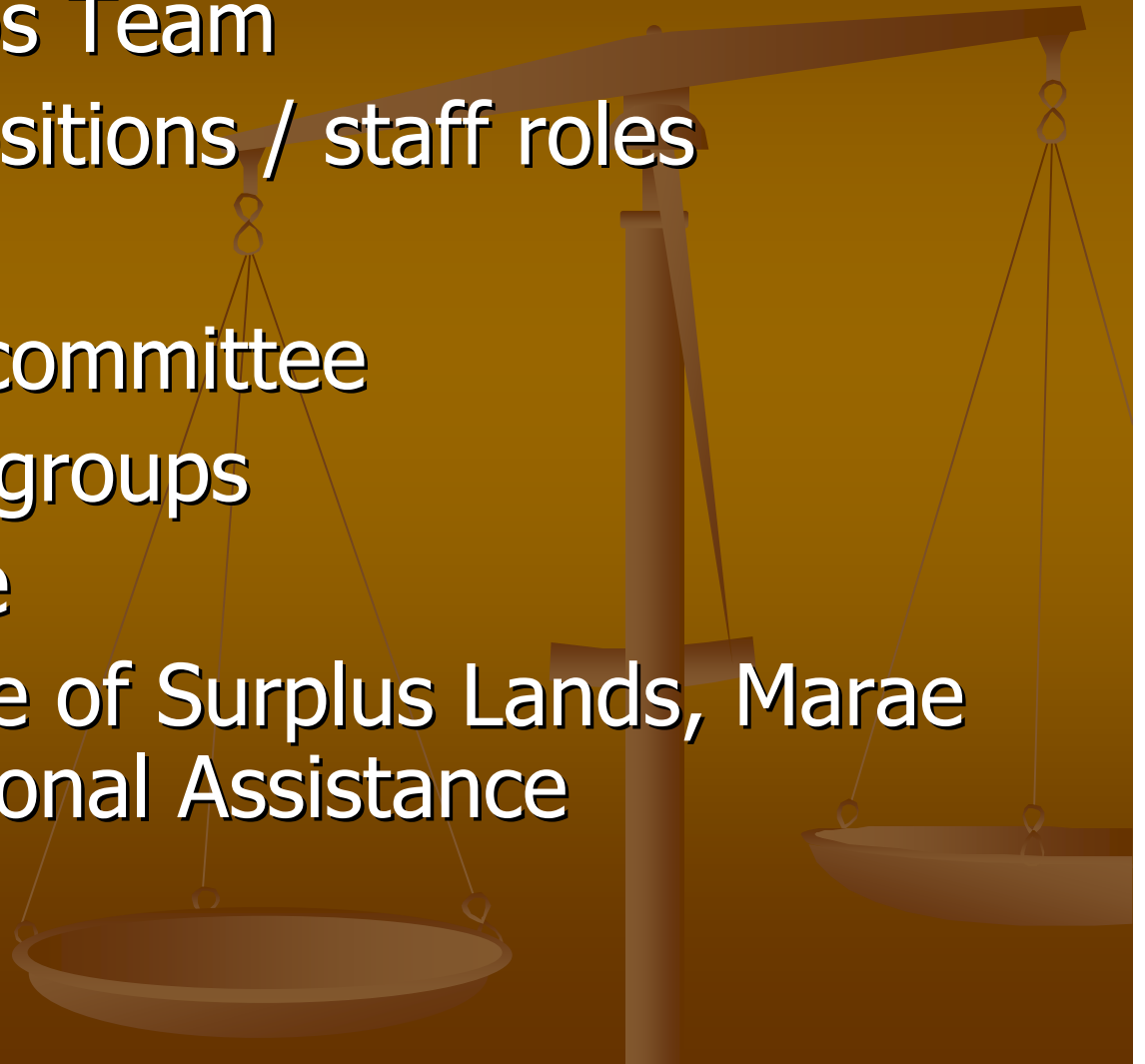
- 1.2 mil acres of land confiscated from Taranaki iwi in 1860s
 - Non-payment of rates, noxious weeds etc also removed land from iwi control
 - Some land remains in hands of local authorities
 - None of this land is up for negotiation when settling Treaty claims
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Background cont

- 2001 new CE identified our relationship with iwi as needing improvement
 - Established Iwi Relationships (IR) Team
 - Manager IR member of Executive Management Team
 - Council developed Long Term Strategic Plan (2002-12)
 - Iwi Relationships as 1 of 5 key strategic issues
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Current Situation

- Iwi Relationships Team
- Specific staff positions / staff roles
- Iwi Forum
- Iwi Liaison Subcommittee
- Project specific groups
- Report template
- Policies, i.e. Sale of Surplus Lands, Marae Grants, Professional Assistance

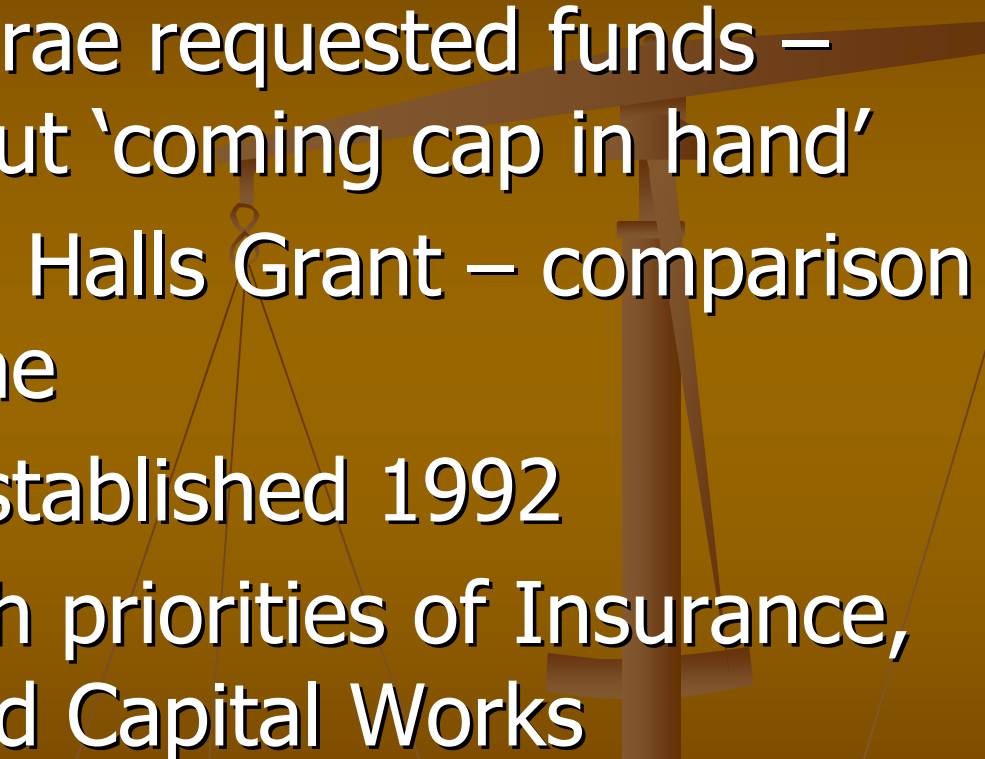


Iwi Relationships Strategic Issue

- Objective: New Plymouth district will be a community where the special relationship with tangata whenua is strengthened and valued

Having Iwi Relationships as a strategic issue means that every significant council decision making process will have to answer the question – “What does this mean for Iwi Relationships”

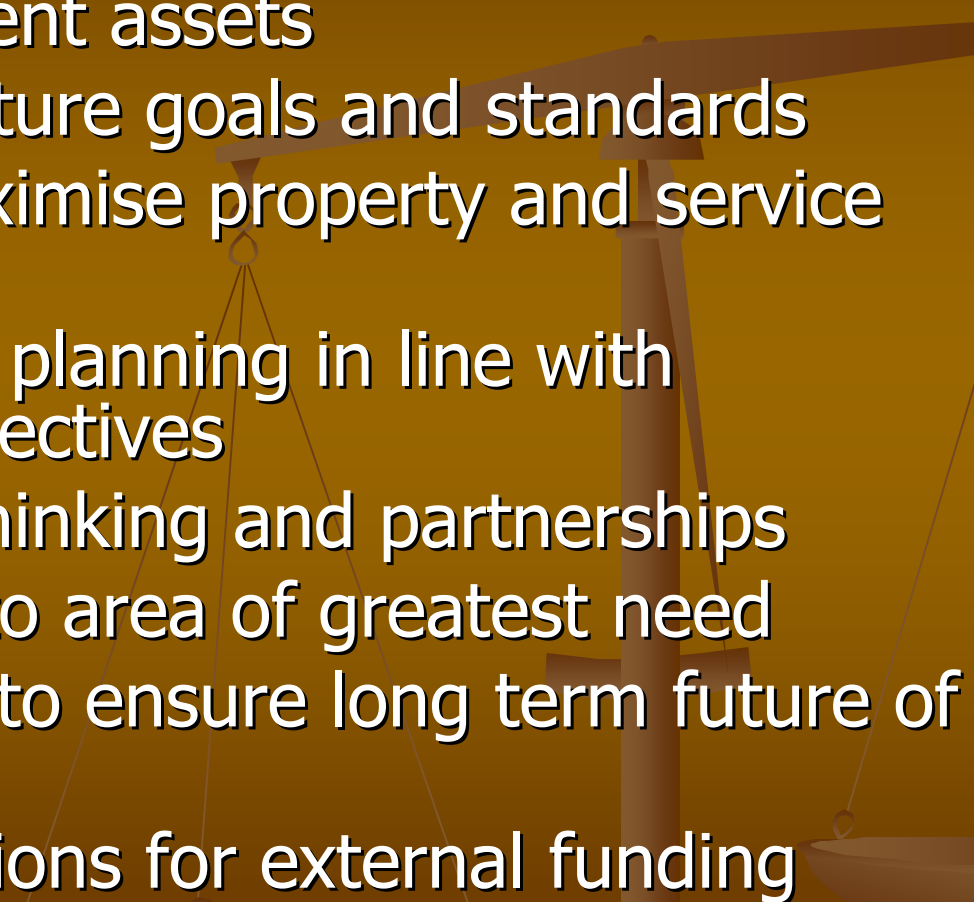
Marae Development Plans

- 1990s Owae Marae requested funds – complained about 'coming cap in hand'
 - NPDC had Rural Halls Grant – comparison made with marae
 - Marae Grants established 1992
 - \$52,000p.a. with priorities of Insurance, Maintenance and Capital Works
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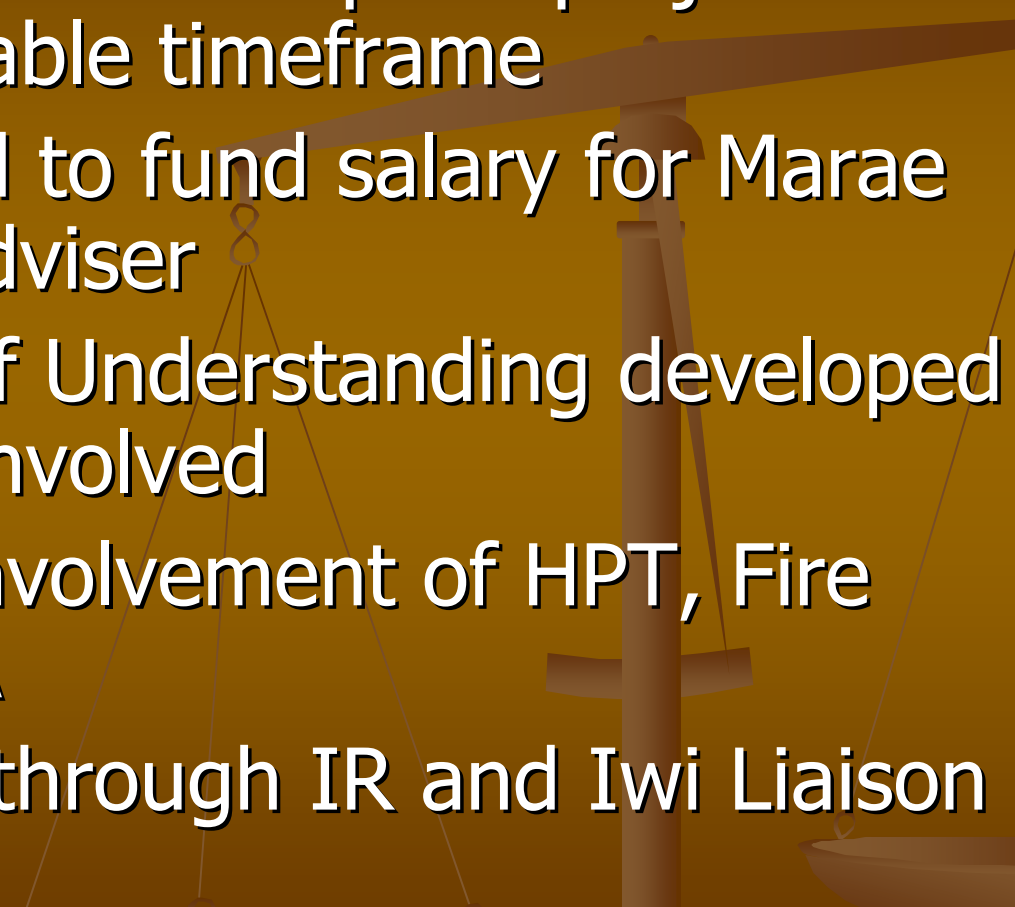
Marae Development Plans

- 2003 – longer term planning and more strategic approach muted by trustees
- 2006 – Iwi Relationships took over admin grants
- Policy & Strategy & IR staff with marae trustees developed proposal for Marae Development Plans (MDP)

MDP Objectives

- Assessment of current assets
 - Establishment of future goals and standards
 - Minimise costs, maximise property and service efficiency
 - Facilitate long term planning in line with iwi/hapū/marae objectives
 - Develop strategic thinking and partnerships
 - Allocate resources to area of greatest need
 - Provide framework to ensure long term future of marae
 - To support applications for external funding
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Partnerships

- Lack of resources to complete project within a reasonable timeframe
 - TPK approached to fund salary for Marae Development Adviser
 - Memorandum of Understanding developed with all marae involved
 - Guidance and involvement of HPT, Fire Service and DIA
 - Reporting lines through IR and Iwi Liaison Subcommittee
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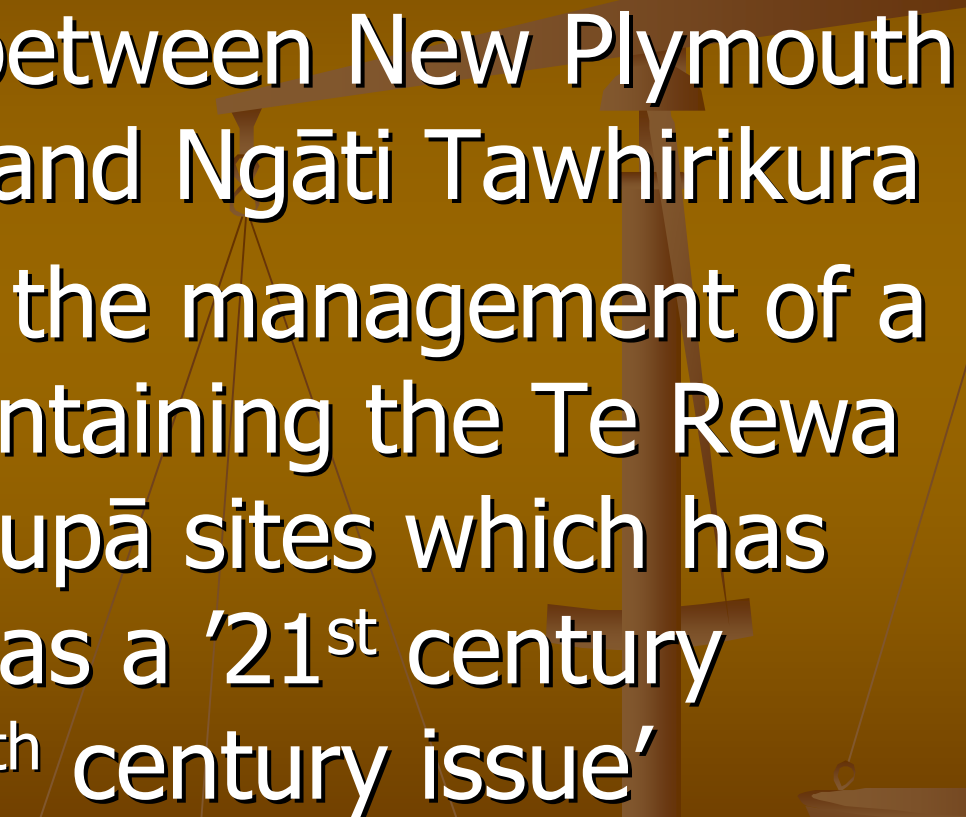
Key Outcomes



- Build capacity and confidence of marae trustees to manage their assets
- Inventory of marae assets
- Future development needs documented
- Review and monitoring systems developed
- Funding sources identified
- Leverage gained through marae collective
- Compliance issues identified and resolved
- Project achieves community outcomes of together, sustainable, vibrant
- Council has complete picture of marae future

Rewa Rewa Agreement

An agreement between New Plymouth District Council and Ngāti Tawhirikura Hapū regarding the management of a piece of land containing the Te Rewa Rewa Pā and urupā sites which has been described as a '21st century solution to a 19th century issue'



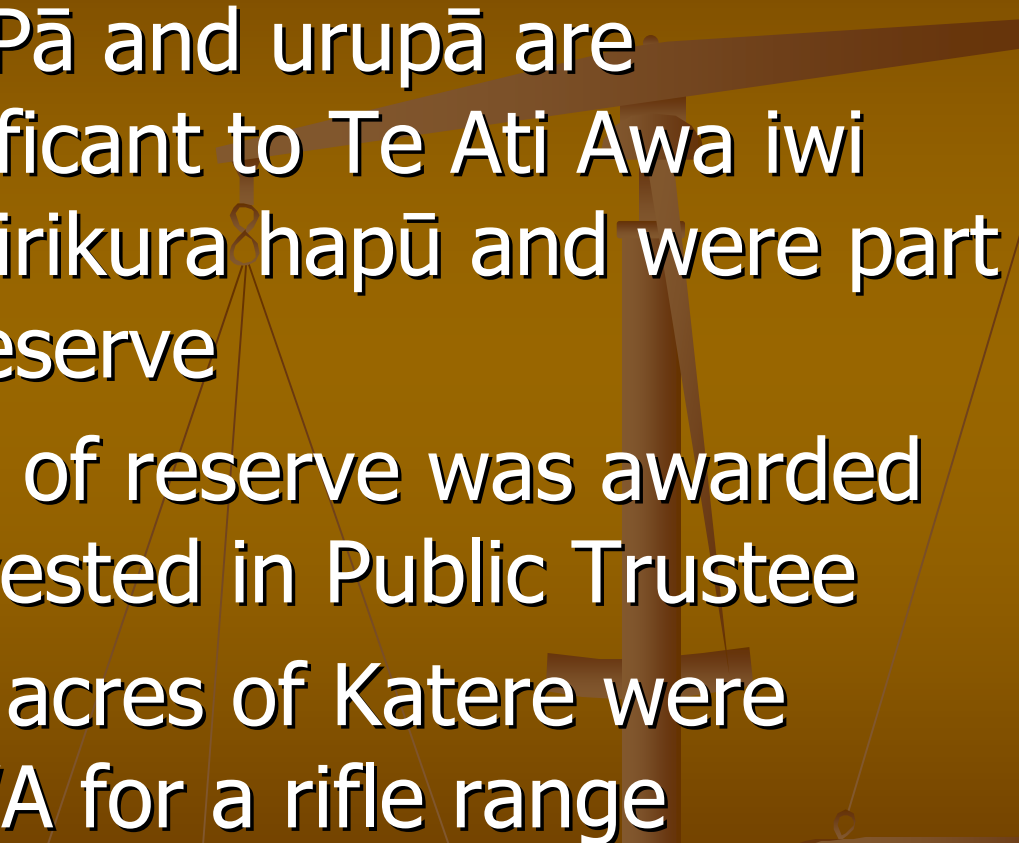
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Ngāti Tawhirikura Hapū

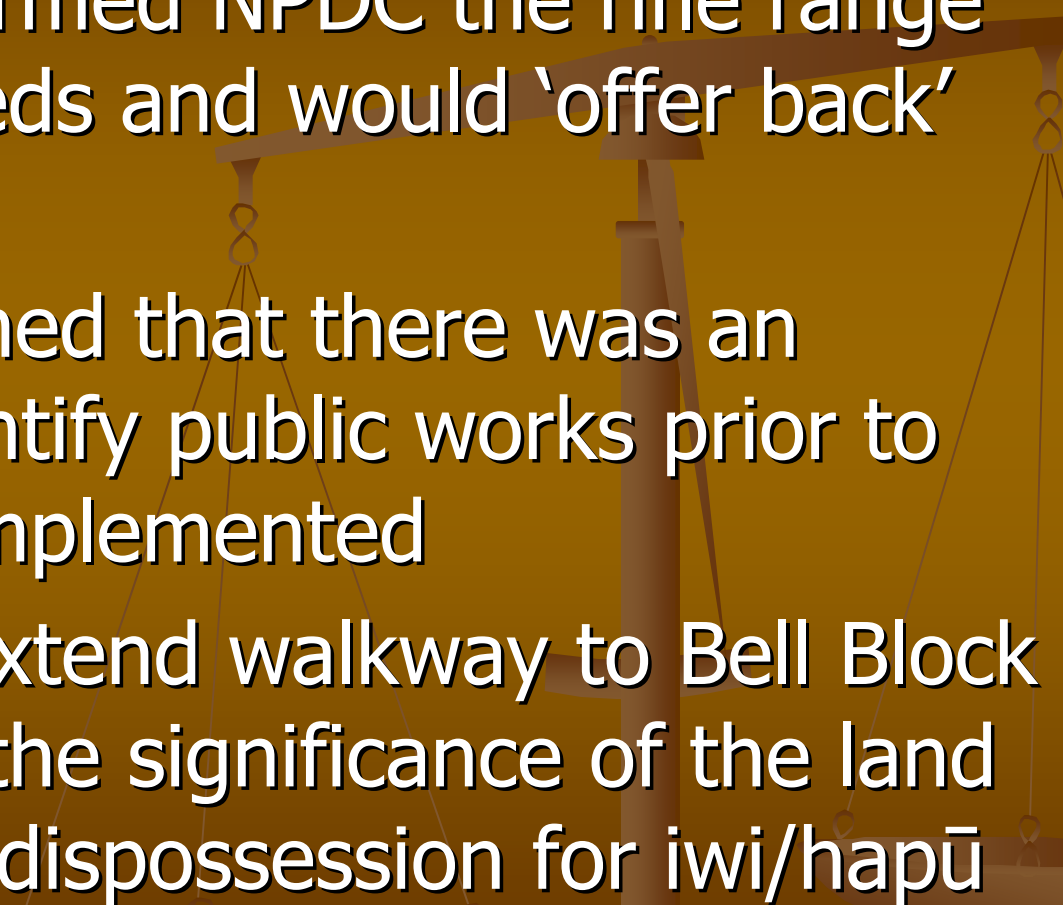
- Ngāti Tawhirikura hapū are an ancient hapū of Te Ati Awa with strong whakapapa links to Puketapu and Ngāti Te Whiti
- Ngāti Tawhirikura struggled with land dispossession and alienation and had become fragmented as a hapū
- Te Ati Awa Iwi Authority, who were set up to progress the Treaty claims for the iwi, did not allow representation from Ngāti Tawhirikura

Background

- Te Rewa Rewa Pā and urupā are historically significant to Te Ati Awa iwi and Ngāti Tawhirikura hapū and were part of the Katerere Reserve
 - 1887 ownership of reserve was awarded to 9 Māori but vested in Public Trustee
 - 1905 almost 80 acres of Katerere were taken under PWA for a rifle range
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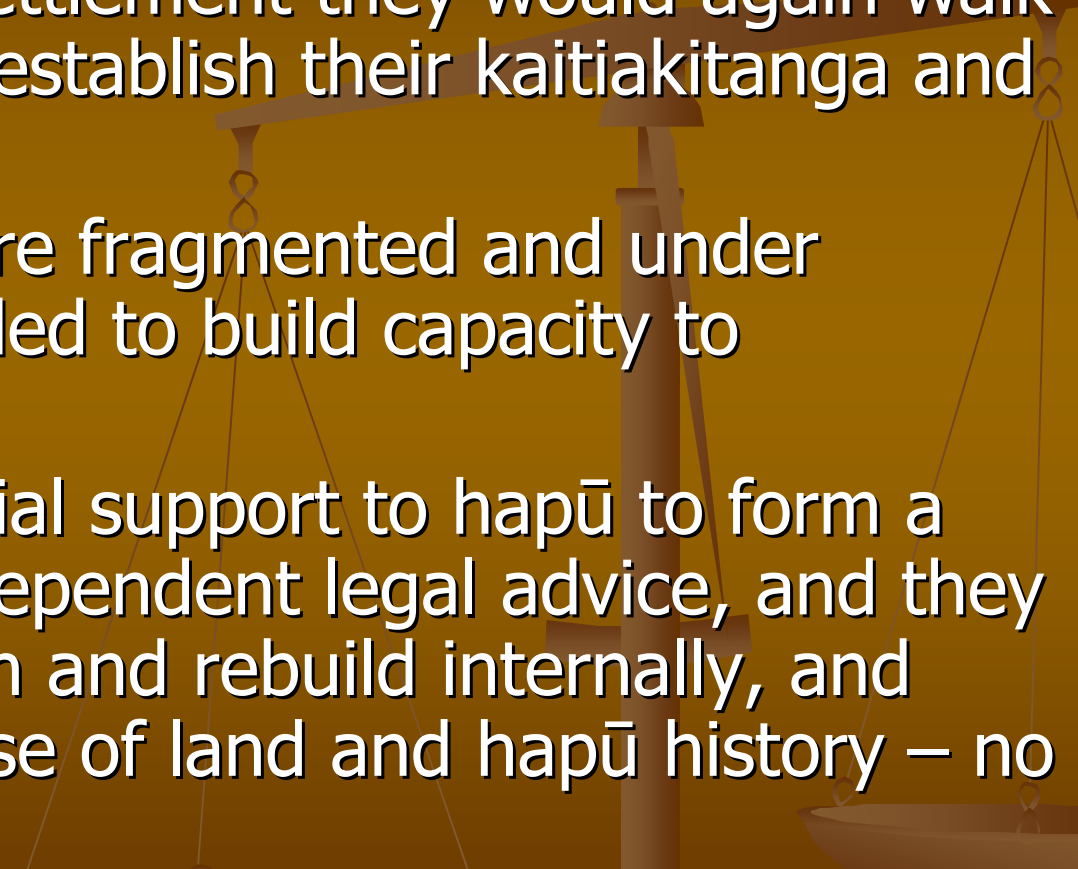
- 1975 NPDC made approaches to erect sewage pond on site
- 1979 because of this attempt, iwi reps sought to protect archaeological sites
- 1985 TOW Act changes to allow for historical claims, Waitangi Tribunal commissioned report on Katerere Reserve
- 1986 site registered as historic site with HPT

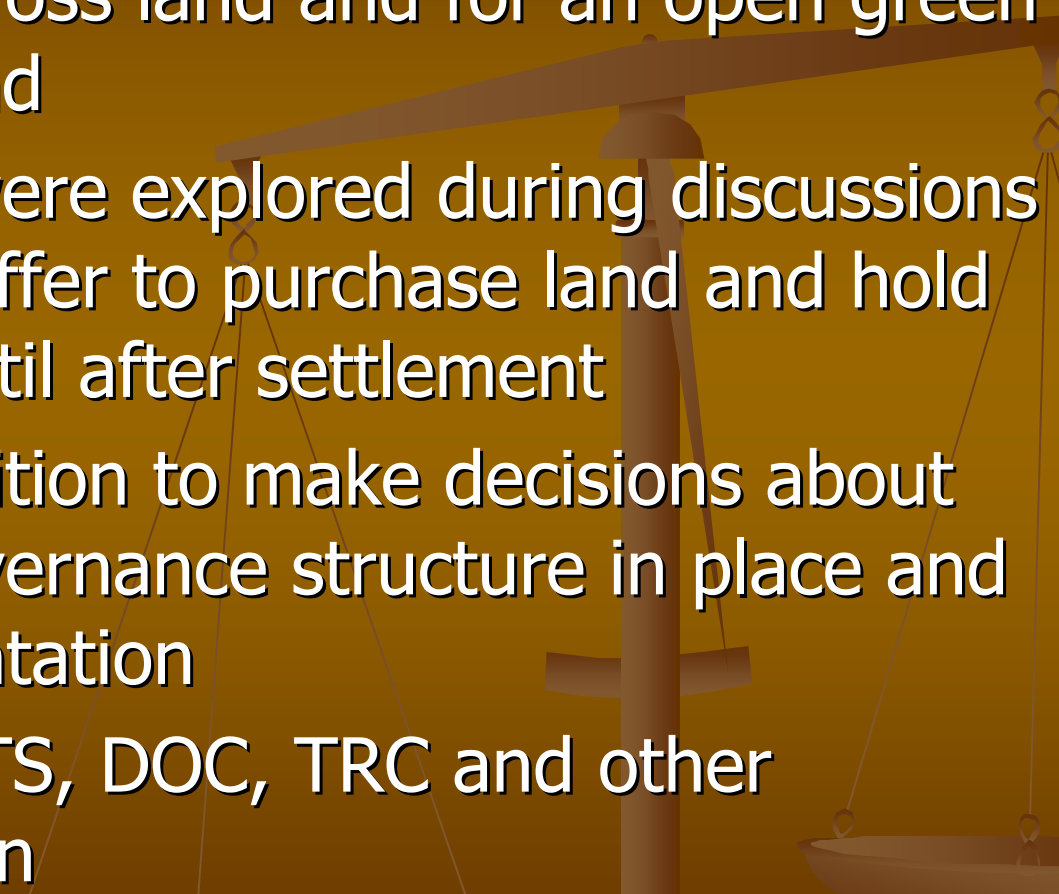
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- 1999 NPDC began work on coastal walkway between port and Waiwhakaiho River
 - 2000 Defence informed NPDC the rifle range was surplus to needs and would 'offer back' under PWA
 - Council was informed that there was an opportunity to identify public works prior to offer back being implemented
 - NPDC wanted to extend walkway to Bell Block but was aware of the significance of the land and the history of dispossession for iwi/hapū

Relationship Building



- Council approached Te Ati Awa to consult over 2 small pieces of the land it needed to acquire but the iwi sent council to Ngāti Tawhirikura
- Hapū relationship with council was one of ongoing conflict, distrust and resistance to communication of any sort
- Hapū very hesitant to council approach at first but IR helped to facilitate relationship which eventually lead to some open and honest dialogue

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- Eventually Ngāti Tawhirikura outlined their desires and aspirations for themselves as a hapū and for the land
 - They hoped after settlement they would again walk on the land and re-establish their kaitiakitanga and rangatiratanga
 - As a hapū, they were fragmented and under resourced and needed to build capacity to participate
 - Council gave financial support to hapū to form a legal entity, get independent legal advice, and they began to strengthen and rebuild internally, and their knowledge base of land and hapū history – no strings attached

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- 2003- site ready for land banking with OTS
 - During discussions Council outlined desire to extend walkway across land and for an open green space of coastal land
 - Several scenarios were explored during discussions including councils offer to purchase land and hold in trust for hapū until after settlement
 - 2005 – hapū in position to make decisions about site with strong governance structure in place and good legal representation
 - Discussions with OTS, DOC, TRC and other agencies undertaken

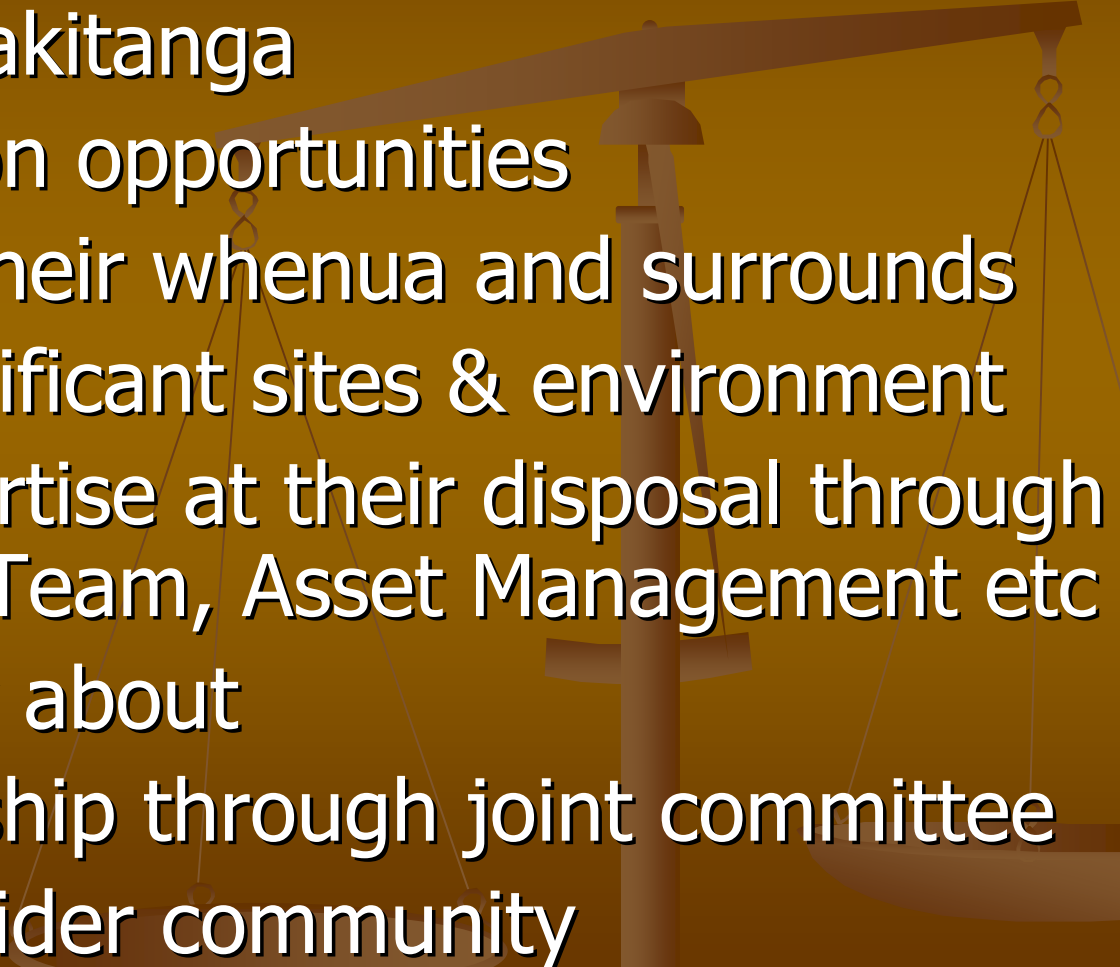
Agreement Reached

- Outcome was that NPDC, supported by Ngāti Tawhirikura, submitted to the Crown to acquire the land for a
- *'local purpose reserve for fostering hapū and iwi activities, extending the coastal reserves and the coastal walkway'*
- Hapū supported application on the basis that the reserve be managed in partnership to meet their aspirations which also included income generation from the land



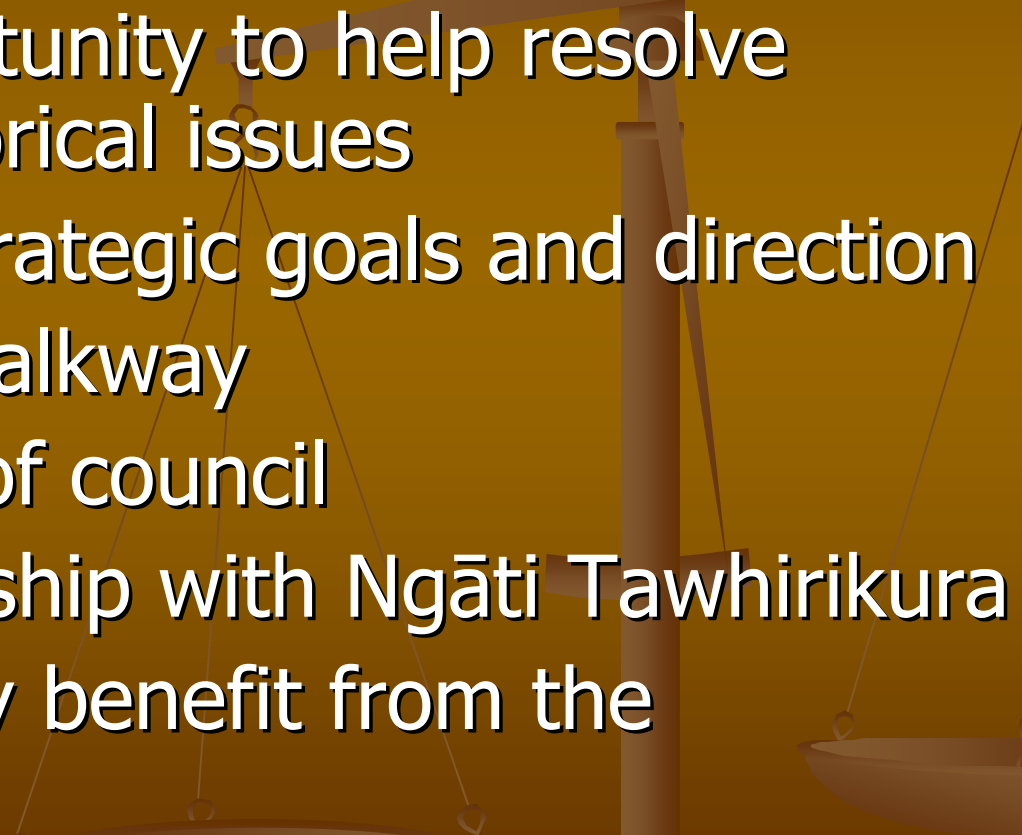
Multi-dimensional Solution

For Ngāti Tawhirikura:

- Regain their kaitiakitanga
 - Income generation opportunities
 - Management of their whenua and surrounds
 - Protection of significant sites & environment
 - Professional expertise at their disposal through Parks & Reserve Team, Asset Management etc
 - No rates to worry about
 - Ongoing relationship through joint committee
 - Contribution to wider community
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Multi-dimensional Solution

For NPDC:

- Invaluable opportunity to help resolve outstanding historical issues
 - Support NPDC strategic goals and direction
 - Extend coastal walkway
 - Add to reserves of council
 - Ongoing relationship with Ngāti Tawhirikura
 - Wider community benefit from the relationship
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Post Agreement

- June 2006 – Rewa Rewa Agreement formally signed
- Te Rewa Rewa Management Committee est
- Hapū representation on the procurement team overseeing the design and build of pedestrian bridge across Waiwhakaiho River
- Full archaeological survey of site undertaken
- Hapū input into direction of walkway, construction materials, fencing, planting etc
- Hapū plans to hold wananga on land
- Future plan to use pā site for education

Rewa Rewa Recognised

- 2007 – Commendation in the New Zealand Post Excellence Awards
 - 2008 – Finalist and Winner of the IPANZ Gen-I Public Sector Excellence Awards for the Māori-Crown Relationships category
 - Agreement is based on the principles of respect, recognition, equality and confidentiality, a shared vision, strong leadership and a desire to make it work
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