

## **Kaipara Moana Remediation Programme – Procurement Principles**

The Kaipara Moana Remediation (KMR) Programme aims to protect, restore and enhance the mauri of the Kaipara Moana through contributing to its environmental restoration, while at the same time recognising the fundamental significance of the Kaipara Moana to social, economic and cultural well-being of the Kaipara Uri and all New Zealanders. In achieving this, a significant number of opportunities will arise for businesses and contractors within the Kaipara to partake in the programme.

The KMR programme has designed procurement principles to guide the process of procuring services from such individuals and organisations, ensuring that those who are engaged for goods or services by the KMR programme operate in a way that is consistent with all of the investment objectives of the programme. These principles will also help potential candidates understand what the expectations of the programme are and provide clear standards for them to work towards.

The procurement principles are built upon the investment objectives of the KMR programme and they are intended to demonstrate the investment objectives in practice. In this way the KMR programme will use procurement to positively impact on the economic, environmental, social and cultural well-being of the catchment, as well as provide businesses and contractors with an incentive to operate in ways that are innovative and bring value to the catchment.

The four investment objectives, and their corresponding procurement principles are provided below.

### **Investment Objective - Tiaki Taiao (Natural Capital):**

Primary objective is to restore mauri to Kaipara Moana and enable it to be a healthy, self-sustaining and naturally productive through:

- (i) Material reduction in erosion from land and streams. Including a reduction of associated contaminants;
- (ii) Improvement in water quality and biodiversity of streams/waterways; and
- (iii) Reduction in sediment in Kaipara Moana to below ecological effects threshold.



### **Procurement Principles**

- Suppliers should have proven experience in the requirements of their respective contracts.
- Suppliers will ideally have formal qualifications relevant to the requirements of their respective contract
- Suppliers should have prior experience within the Kaipara catchment.

### **Investment Objective - Ōhanga (Physical & Financial Capital):**

Create sustainable, resilient and optimised primary production in the Kaipara catchment and harbour through:

- (i) Improved land management guided by improved advice and evidence; and
- (ii) Recognized intergenerational equity and support a just transition to better environment outcomes

### **Procurement Principles**

Allocations of KMR contracts will consider:

- The balance of contracts awarded to Māori owned enterprises, as well as a number to local suppliers.
- Suppliers who provide evidence that they will be meeting or exceeding minimum living wage estimates.
- The extent to which suppliers utilise locally sourced materials, resources or services.

### **Investment Objective - Manaaki Tangata (Human Capital):**

Improve Kaipara Uri and local skills and capability to support innovation, effective land management, and community resilience through:

- (i) Material lift of capability and capacity to address environmental challenges;
- (ii) Providing exemplar benefits to other catchments and nationally; and
- (iii) Developing and utilising local skills and enterprise to lead to sustainable outcomes



## **Procurement Principles**

Suppliers will be assessed on:

- How they provide progression and remuneration pathways for employees, such as a wage strategy.
- Their internal training systems in place.
- Evidence of how they support staff to enter training and gain qualifications relevant to their employment.
- How roles within the contracts have a defined and genuine career pathway.

## **Investment Objective - Tātai Hononga (Social Capital):**

Enable kotahitanga by empowering Kaipara Uri and local community participation, including hapū and marae, in local solutions, leveraging opportunities through:

- (i) Mobilising local participation and delivery;
- (ii) Line of sight between local initiatives and governance – so that local activities are aligned with wider needs; and
- (iii) Customary practice is prioritised with focus on taonga species and mātauranga Māori perspectives

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Suppliers will be assessed on:

- Suppliers that employ a significant proportion of individuals from Kaipara Uri and/or the local community.
- How suppliers partner with local communities and iwi to develop locally led approaches to remediation.
- Their experience operating with tikanga and/or mātauranga Māori, or demonstrated efforts to gain such experience.

