



Te Rūnanga o NGĀI TAHU

20 August 2026

[contact details]

Tēnā koe

2026 Election of Kaiwhakahaere and Deputy Kaiwhakahaere – Request for Nominations

Further to my previous letter, dated 20 July 2026, this letter is to formally commence the process of appointment/election of the Kaiwhakahaere and Deputy Kaiwhakahaere for Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, by issue of the enclosed '**Request for Nomination**'.

This Request for Nomination is made in my capacity as Secretary of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and in accordance with the Te Rūnanga Policy on the appointment of the Kaiwhakahaere and Deputy Kaiwhakahaere, adopted pursuant to clause 6.14 of the Charter of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu.

Each of the Papatipu Rūnanga may nominate their elected Rūnanga Representative (or the Rūnanga Representative of another Papatipu Rūnanga) for the role of Kaiwhakahaere or Deputy Kaiwhakahaere. Nominees must agree to their nomination and to carry out the role if they are elected.

Nominations are to be made using the form enclosed with this letter. There is no obligation to make any nominations if that is your Papatipu Rūnanga's preference. Please note that for a nomination to be valid both the person nominated and their Papatipu Rūnanga must agree to the person nominated performing the role if they are selected.

The period for nominations closes at 4.00pm on 21 September 2026. Following the close of the nomination period details of nominations will be made available to Ngāi Tahu Whānui.

The election of the Kaiwhakahaere and Deputy Kaiwhakahaere is scheduled for the meeting of Te Rūnanga on 19 November 2026. Please note that, due to rescheduling, the date of this meeting has changed from that advised in our previous letter. This is done through a Decision Paper and is the first agenda item immediately following karakia. The meeting will be held on a general basis and all members of Ngāi Tahu Whānui are entitled to attend.

As noted above, the **period for nominations closes at 4.00pm on 21 September 2026.** If your Papatipu Rūnanga would like to nominate your Rūnanga Representative (or another Rūnanga Representative) for the position of Kaiwhakahaere or Deputy Kaiwhakahaere please fill in the form enclosed, get it signed by the proposed nominee and send it back to me within this timeframe.

Nāhaku noa, nā

Ben Bateman

Secretary – Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu

Cc: Papatipu Rūnanga Office

Request for Nomination for Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu Kaiwhakahaere or Deputy Kaiwhakahaere

Name of Papatipu Rūnanga making the Nomination: _____

Person Nominated: _____

Authorised Representative of Papatipu Rūnanga

[Signature]

I, confirm:

- (a) I am willing to stand for and perform the role of [Kaiwhakahaere] or [Deputy Kaiwhakahaere] (**delete one**); and
- (b) My Papatipu Rūnanga approves me standing for and performing the role of [Kaiwhakahaere] or [Deputy Kaiwhakahaere] (**delete one**) as evidenced by my Papatipu Rūnanga nominating me for the role or confirming their approval in writing before the end of the Nomination Period.

Signature of Candidate: _____

Date: _____

Personal Statement of Candidate *[This is optional and should be attached as a separate page. The personal statement can be up to 400 words long and can include a photo].*

Please send (or deliver) this completed nomination form to:

Ben Bateman
Secretary
Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu
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Addington
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To arrive no later than 4.00pm, 21 September 2026