



## Flag Consideration Engagement Hui Panui

E ngā iwi, e ngā reo, e ngā karangatanga maha o ngā hau e whā, tēnei te mihi atu ki a koutou katoa e rau rangatira mā.

### *The Flag Consideration Project*

In October 2014, Cabinet agreed on a comprehensive process enabling all New Zealanders to consider the future of the New Zealand Flag. This included the appointment of a Flag Consideration Panel to develop and lead a public engagement process, which would be independent, inclusive, enduring, well-informed, community-driven and consistent with the Crown's Treaty obligations.

In late February this year, the Deputy Prime Minister announced the appointment of the [12 panel members \(the Panel\)](#), which represent a cross section of New Zealand society. The Panel is being supported in carrying out its role by a Secretariat team based in Wellington. Members of the Panel are travelling the country to encourage all New Zealanders to share what they stand for through a [nationwide road show](#), public workshops and 6 iwi engagement hui. For more information go to our web page at [www.flag.govt.nz](#).

### *Engagement Hui Panui*

The Panel has finalised an approach for community engagement meetings incorporating a mobile presence and a series of engagement hui with iwi. The engagement approach is designed to provide a wide variety of New Zealand communities, including Māori, iwi, hapu, kura and whanau, with choices around how they engage with the project and participate in the discussion about the New Zealand flag.

A series of engagement hui are scheduled to be held throughout the country. These hui offer an opportunity for Māori to discuss the significance of the flag and share any thoughts on what it should say about us as a nation. The Panel is committed to providing an opportunity to engage face-to-face with Panel members to share your knowledge, values and aspirations, regarding our nations unique identity and cultural diversity, and how that could be reflected in the design of New Zealand's national flag.

The following hui schedule is correct as at 28 May 2015 and may be subject to change.

Day:	Date 2015:	Location:	Venue:	Address:	Time:
Saturday	13 June	Rotorua	Papaïouru Marae	Hurunga Street, Ohinemutu, Rotorua	1pm-5pm
Sunday	14 June	Wellington	Makāro Room, Te Raukura, Whare Waka	Odlins Square, 15 Jervois Quay, Wellington Waterfront	1pm-5pm
Sunday	21 June	Hamilton	Heaphy Room, Claudelands	Corner of Brooklyn Road and Heaphy Terrace, Hamilton	1pm-5pm
Sunday	28 June	Auckland	Event Centre, Auckland War Memorial Museum	The Auckland Domain, Parnell, Auckland	1pm-5pm
Sunday	5 July	Waitangi	Powhiri: Whare Runanga (House of Assembly)	Waitangi Treaty Grounds	9am-10am
Sunday	5 July	Waitangi	Hui: Treaty Room 1, Copthorne Hotel and	Waitangi Treaty Grounds	10am-1pm

More information about the public engagement and engagement hui schedule can be found on our web page at [www.flag.govt.nz](#). This will be updated ahead of each public meeting to ensure that all information is up to date.

We request your attendance and invite all Māori, iwi, hapu, kura and whanau to attend any of these hui and ask that you encourage others within your communities and region to attend and participate in the discussion.

Aku mihi nui ki a koutou.

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