

11 June 2021



Mane Ngatai  
Unit 1 – 25 Taiaho Place  
Whareroa Marae  
Mount Maunganui 3116

Dear Mane

On behalf of the Directors of Tauranga Bridge Marina Limited we are disappointed that Whareroa Marae and Ngati Kuku have chosen to take the stance that our application for Occupation Consent should be limited to 10 years as opposed to the 35 years we have applied for. A 35 year term has been granted to other marinas in the Tauranga area, and indeed by Regional Councils in many other parts of New Zealand, reflecting the significant investment in these facilities.

You will appreciate that we take our responsibility as the guardians of the marina and its environment very seriously. We have strived to maintain high environmental standards in order to protect this asset and as you will be aware, one of our great concerns is the need to replace the existing northern attenuator, which is not providing adequate internal wave climate protection the marina needs from major storms. We remain greatly concerned that there could be significant impacts on the Harbour if a major storm damages the marina, leaving material to be lodged around the Harbour.

Although the proposed Northern Breakwater was consented in 2015, we have had some difficulty attracting funding from our berth holders to pay for it. They have consistently told us they need a long-term licence in order justify the expenditure needed to construct the breakwater. Thus, the reason for the new occupation consent application for a 35 year term.

Our door is always open to further discuss this matter if you wish. We greatly value the close relationship we have enjoyed over the years with Whareroa Marae in particular, and trust that our relationship will continue as we navigate our way through this process.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom".

**Tom Wilson**  
**Chairman**