

MEMBERSHIP

Membership of Te Rōpū Taiao Otago is:

Otago Regional Council	Hokonui Rūnanga
Dunedin City Council	Ōtākou Rūnanga
Clutha District Council	Kati Huirapa Rūnanga ki Puketeraki
Central Otago District Council	Te Rūnanga o Moeraki
Waitaki District Council	

MEETINGS

Te Rōpū Taiao Otago will meet at least three times per year. Because of Council administrative processes one meeting should be held in October/November (ahead of Annual Plan preparation), one meeting should be held in February (ahead of finalisation of draft Annual Plan notification) and one meeting in July (when Council budgets and work programmes are finalised).

REVIEW

The Te Rōpū Taiao format can be reviewed at any time.  
This Charter is a governance document and should be reviewed at the start of each triennium.

Governance Charter  
Te Rōpū Taiao Otago

for Kāi Tahu ki Otago  
and the local authorities of Otago

This document formalises the relationship between the Papatipu Rūnanga and the Local Authorities of Otago Region. The form Te Rōpū Taiao provides the opportunity in an efficient way to foster and grow the relationship.

HE MIHI ATU

*E nga mana, e nga reo  
E nga karangaranga o nga herenga waka  
Tena hoki koutou nga kanohi ora o ratou  
Kua wehe i tua o te Arai  
Haere e nga mate, haere, haere, haere  
Te hunga ora  
Tena koutou, tena tatou katoa.*

STRUCTURE

Te Rōpū Taiao Otago structure allows for effective coordination of work load and work programmes for Kāi Tahu ki Otago to fulfil the needs of the Councils.  
The structure retains the one-on-one relationships of each Council and Papatipu Rūnanga, but fosters the development and resourcing of a work programme covering the matters of individual and collective needs of Members.

He tapa tu a ko i uta    *The inland*  
 He tapa tu a ko i tai    *The sea coast has been defined*

He tapa tu a Tane    *Tane is responsible for the interior*  
 He tapa tu a Tangaroa    *Tangaroa is responsible for the sea*

He kaha ko i uta    *The inland areas are important*  
 He kaha ko i tai    *The coastal areas are important*

He kaha a Tane    *Tane's influence is very strong*  
 He kaha a Tangaroa    *Tangaroa's influence is very strong*

Hei tapa tu a Tane    *Tane stands for the land*  
 Hei tapa tu a Tangaroa    *Tangaroa stands for the sea*

Ko o matou whakaaro ki te whenua    *Our thoughts are to the land*  
 Nga roto, nga awa, te moana    *To the lakes, the rivers and the sea*

Hei here i a tatou    *That bind us together*  
 O nga tuputupunga    *To preserve the well-being*

O Te Aka o Tu Whenua    *Of the vines of Tu Whenua (land and water)*  
 Hei whakato whakatipu    *That gave rise to*

I nga mahinga kai a te Iwi    *The people's food gathering places*  
 Ko o matou Tumanako    *Our hopes are that*

Te tatau o te matauranga    *The doors of knowledge*  
 O nga whakaaro    *And the doors of thought*

Hei here ai a Iwi, a mana    *That have held our people and our authority captive*  
 Ka whakapuakina    *Will be opened*

Kia marino ai te wai    *That the waters of these thoughts*  
 O te whakaaro kotahi    *Be calmed and settled as one thought*

## OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of Te Rōpū Taiao Otago are:

1. That a Māori narrative be developed for places, districts, and/or the region.
2. To create an Otago Takiwa-wide collective forum between Kāi Tahu ki Otago and the Local Authorities of Otago to facilitate better mutual understandings; improve efficiency of Iwi engagement and resourcing for Council oriented business; and foster and grow Iwi capacity in local government activities, processes and governance.
3. To develop a combined work programme that will help establish stable resourcing levels and avoid duplication of effort for Iwi participation with local authorities; establish priorities of work demand; and move work demands into a medium term perspective in which future needs can be planned.
4. To assist fulfil Local Authority obligations to Iwi under all relevant statutes.

## FUNDING

Members will meet their own costs of representation, but for the financial year 2015-2016 the Member Councils will provide a "subscription" to KTKO Ltd for assisting the Papatipu Rūnanga to be able to resource their contributions to Te Rōpū.


The "subscription" levels are proposed to be in two parts as:

COUNCIL	PUBLIC SUPPORT	PARTICIPATION	TOTAL
Otago Region	\$8,000	\$4,000	<b>\$12,000</b>
Dunedin City	\$2,000	\$4,000	<b>\$6,000</b>
Central Otago District	\$2,000	\$2,000	<b>\$4,000</b>
Clutha District	\$2,000	\$2,000	<b>\$4,000</b>
Waitaki District	\$2,000	\$2,000	<b>\$4,000</b>


Agreed and signed 12/6/15  
 (date)

  
 Chairman Otago Regional Council

  
 Chairman Hokonui Rūnanga

  
 Mayor of Dunedin


  
 Chairman Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou

  
 Mayor of Clutha District

  
 Chairman Kati Huirapa Rūnanga  
 ki Puketeraki

  
 Mayor of Central Otago District

  
 Chairman Te Rūnanga o Moeraki

  
 Mayor of Waitaki District