
YOUNG ELECTED MEMBERS' HUI PROGRAMME

Day one – Wednesday 6 December

“E hara taku toa I te toa takitahi engari he toa takitini”

The focus of day one is on whanaungatanga – supporting attendees to get familiar with the Far North, with local government and the YEM Network, and with each other as community leaders, to help enable a positive hui and strong, ongoing relationships across the YEM Network.

12.00pm	Arrive at Kerikeri/Bay of Islands Airport for Hui start
12.15pm	Coach transfers, Hui introduction and whakawhanaungatanga
1.30pm	Mihi whakatau
2.00pm	Kai and whanaungatanga
2.30pm	Introduction to the Far North – its people, culture, history and places, including experiencing Mānea and the story of Kupe arriving in Aotearoa <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This session aims to build attendees’ cultural confidence by delving into the Far North’s unique culture, history and identity
4.00pm	Transfer to Ngāwha Innovation Park via coach, including reflections and continued whanaungatanga
5.00pm	Guided tour of Ngāwha Innovation Park and kōrero on opportunities for private, public and mana whenua partnership <ul style="list-style-type: none">• This session will have a strong focus on the importance of partnerships. Attendees will see and experience, in practice, how hapū, public and private partnerships are supporting and enabling economic and environmental sustainability in the Far North. The session will give YEM tools to build enduring partnerships in their rohe
6.00pm	Cocktail function and opening addresses – Far North District Council and YEM Committee

Day two – Thursday 7 December

“Titiro whakamuri, kokiri whakamua”

The focus of day two will be building YEMs’ own leadership capability, resilience, hauora and cultural confidence to enable them to effectively perform their role as elected members and community leaders.

8.00am	Pōwhiri at Waitangi Treaty Grounds
9.00am	Welcome and scene setting – workshop on “setting our collective course” and Hui objectives, led by the YEM Committee
9.45am	Tour of Waitangi Treaty Grounds
11.00am	Kai break
11.10am	YEM Kaupapa kōrero and workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This session will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ build YEMs’ understanding of the YEM Kaupapa and provide an opportunity to consider its relevance in current political, social and economic contexts ○ enable the YEM Network to work together to identify collective actions for delivering the Kaupapa
1.00pm	Kai break
2.00pm	Panel discussion: Looking after your health and wellbeing as an elected member and community leader – some tips, tricks, and strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This session will provide YEM with practical tips, tricks and strategies to be effective leaders and look after their hauora (wellbeing) in their leadership roles, to ensure they’re able to effectively deliver to the communities they serve
2.45pm	Post-panel workshop: What did we hear? What could this look like? What does this mean for YEM? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This session will provide YEM with the opportunity to identify the strategies and actions they can put in place individually and collectively to enable them to effectively perform their roles as elected members and community leaders
3.30pm	Kai break
3.45pm	Team building activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This session will help to build the collective strength of the YEM network

4.45pm	Summing up the day – reflections and closing karakia
5.30pm	Free evening

Day three – Friday 8 December

“Whaia te iti Kahurangi, ki te tuohu koe me maunga teitei.”

The focus of day three is how YEM can enable and deliver positive outcomes for their communities. It'll challenge YEM to think outside the box, and to work in smart, cost-effective and collaborative ways to best serve their communities.

9.30am	Opening address and summing up day two – led by the YEM Committee
9.45am	Engaging effectively with your community – led by Ranjani Ponnuchetty, Chief Advisor, LGNZ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This session will give YEM practical tips and tricks for effectively engaging with communities, using tools such as media and social media to share the value of local government to communities
11.15am	Kai break
11.30am	Panel discussion: Supporting the health and wellbeing of communities through long-term planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This session will explore ways that YEM can leverage opportunities through partnerships, innovation and strategy to unlock good outcomes and enable communities to have strong identities, particularly through councils' upcoming long-term planning processes
12.15pm	Post-panel workshop: What did we hear? What are we curious about? What could collective action look like? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In this session YEM will think about individual and collective actions that they can take to support good outcomes for their communities
1.15pm	Kai break
2.00pm	Buffer time – TBC
3.00pm	Building our cultural confidence: kapa haka experience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This session will help to build the collective strength of the YEM network and grow YEMs' cultural confidence
3.30pm	Zone catch ups

- This session will allow YEM to connect with other YEM in their zones, to think about how they work together and support one another at more local levels

4.00pm Summing up the hui – closing reflections and closing karakia

5.30pm Ferry to Russell for Gala Dinner, with guest speaker

Attendees are welcome to leave at their leisure on Saturday 9 December