

Submission on Civic Marae and Cultural Centre Governance

Your contact details	
First name	Joshua
Last name	Moss
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
Do you want to speak to Council in support of your submission?	No
Preferred hearing dates	
Managing Te Motu o Poutoa Civic Marae and Cultural Centre	
Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	Yes, I support a stand-alone council-controlled organisation. It should be equally governed by Rangitāne and PNCC. This will be a unique and useful facility, creating jobs, and attracting visitors. I also hope for strong public transport and active transport connections in the future, in particular during event days.

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First name	Ruth
Last name	Leach
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Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	The council is already doing an excellent job of every other shared/community space in PN so I am sure this one will be well run and maintained also. I trust them.

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First name	Carrole
Last name	Keene
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	This is a waste of rate payers money, once again!! Councils are in debt. Debt should be cleared before starting a project that us not necessary. Remember you are employed by the RATE payer!!!

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First name	Rob
Last name	Turner
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	Fully owned and managed by Council (part of our parks and reserves)
Tell us more	Best option is, scrap this rubbish, and put the funding into infrastructure.

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Your contact details	
First name	Vanessa
Last name	Graham
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	<p>It is my belief that this will ensure the longevity of the project. Though I would love to see it souly governed by Rangitaane, this project should be a significant structure for all the people of Papaioea and the wider rohe.</p> <p>I also see the project as another example of the greater picture kotahitanga and partnership between Rangitaane and our city council. An example not only to our community but our entire country.</p>

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First name	Wayne
Last name	Masters
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	Fully owned and managed by Rangitāne o Manawatū
Tell us more	Our rates bill is high enough and our basic infrastructure of water, sewerage and reading is seriously in need of investment, this is not an essential or necessary investment.

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Your contact details	
First name	Finn
Last name	Barnett
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Do you prefer one of the other options?	Fully owned and managed by Council (part of our parks and reserves)
Tell us more	Rate payer money is being used so it should be fully owned and managed by council

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First name	Neil
Last name	Shailer
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	<p>We dont need a Civic Marae, with the cost it is going to be. As things are getting tough and with another Rates Hike it's only going to get tougher. So this time Council listen to the people and give this amiss. General talks people dont want it.</p> <p>Neil</p>

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Your contact details	
First name	Karla
Last name	Karaitiana
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	I believe this best reflects the partnership between Council and iwi Rangitane. I feel that this option would best allow the facility to be run efficiently and effectively.

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Your contact details	
First name	Lisa
Last name	Riley
Organisation you represent	
Hearing	
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	Fully owned and managed by Council (part of our parks and reserves)
Tell us more	As ratepayers will be contributing a large percentage of the cost and the council already operates under Te Tiriti, so creating an expensive alternative to ensure there is partnership makes no sense. While this is a great project, the council has a responsibility to invest and spend ratepayer money wisely.

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First name	F
Last name	J
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	This will bring people together and we really need it at the moment with all the divisions in the society

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Your contact details	
First name	Amber
Last name	Dryden
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	<p>Yes! I think this is a fantastic idea and a great asset for council to be part of and help look after.</p> <p>I think this is a really important project. As long as the cafe is well maintained and offer good options (not just reheated pies and cabinet food), I believe it will attract more locals to regularly use it. And having a civic marae would be great for locals, visitors, schools etc to learn.</p>

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First name	Anne
Last name	Gordon
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	I do not support any option except not spending any money on any extra projects. You have put rates up more than inflation already and you intend another 7% rise next year. This is unaffordable for most people.

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Your contact details	
First name	Ray
Last name	Stephenson
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	Grant: Stop this madness. The people of Palmerston North cannot afford another outgoing cost like this. Simply stop wasteful spending. Everyone i have spoken to agrees this Marae is not for the good of all the people.

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First name	Lena
Last name	Gregory
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	Yes
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	<p>I've read the main part of Council's message about the proposed Civic Marae and Cultural Centre at Te Motu o Poutoa – Anzac Park, and I support the kaupapa. There may be details in the full proposal I haven't had a chance to explore yet, but I'm sharing my thoughts based on the public information and key messages that have been shared.</p> <p>This is more than just a building project—it's a chance to honour the whenua, uplift the mana of Rangitāne o Manawatū, and create a taonga for future generations.</p> <p>Here are some important considerations I believe need to be part of the conversation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flooding Risk We know parts of the area are low-lying, and I trust that careful planning and environmental design will be part of the process. It's just important that safety and resilience remain at the heart of the design—especially with changing weather patterns and rising water levels over time. 2. A Living Marae, Not Just a Venue This shouldn't be just a civic facility—it should be a place where whānau can live, learn, and be supported. Consider including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Kaumātua flats or papakāinga housing *A maara kai (community garden) *Spaces for wānanga, raranga, whakapapa, and rongoā *Whānau rooms for tangihanga or noho *A small health clinic and pharmacy to support hauora for our elders and wider whānau 3. Community Harmony The site borders Summerhill, a quiet residential area. It's important that this

	<p>development is shaped with respect for neighbouring communities. Good communication, openness, and shared vision will help bring everyone on board.</p> <p>4. True Partnership with Rangitāne o Manawatū This is their whenua. Rangitāne should not just be consulted, but co-govern the process. Their tikanga, values, and long-term vision should guide this kaupapa from start to finish.</p> <p>5. A Gift to the City Not all value is financial. A civic marae is a place of belonging, healing, and learning. It strengthens identity, deepens cultural understanding, and brings people together in a way that no ordinary venue can.</p> <p>“He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata.” What is the most important thing in the world? It is people.</p> <p>Let’s build something that reflects that truth—for everyone in Palmerston North, now and into the future.</p>
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First name	Brent
Last name	McDonald
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	I prefer it's not built at all. Palmerston North council has major expenses coming with waterworks and should not be wasting money on unnecessary projects. You may state that council won't pay but we as ratepayers know this is not true . Any business owner would know these things , we can't just keep pushing rates up

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First name	Tim
Last name	Carpenter
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
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Tell us more	It appears to be a project that the city cannot afford with our sky rocketing rates

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First name	Roy
Last name	Le Quesne
Organisation you represent	
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Do you support our preferred option?	No
Do you prefer one of the other options?	
Tell us more	<p>I strongly disagree with this project going ahead in any form at this time.</p> <p>The Council should be concentrating on the basic in these economic times.</p> <p>It maybe a nice to have in some people's eyes but totally unneeded or required.</p>
How did you find out about this opportunity to have your say?	Booklet in my mailbox

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First name	Jenna
Last name	Tomlinson
Organisation you represent	
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Do you prefer one of the other options?	Fully owned and managed by Rangitāne o Manawatū
Tell us more	The cost should be left with those who will use and benefit from it, ie, those of Rangitāne I Manawatū. There is no need to use public money when we have a cost of living crisis.

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First name	Tony
Last name	Lane
Organisation you represent	Concerned ratepayer
Hearing	
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Do you prefer one of the other options?	Fully owned and managed by Rangitāne o Manawatū
Tell us more	Council should not be wasting 10m of ratepayers money on this unnecessary project. If rangitane want they can pay for it in full.