

Tainui

Ngati Whakamarurangi

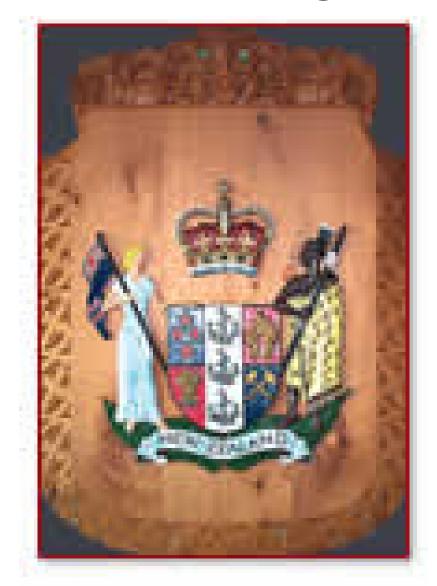
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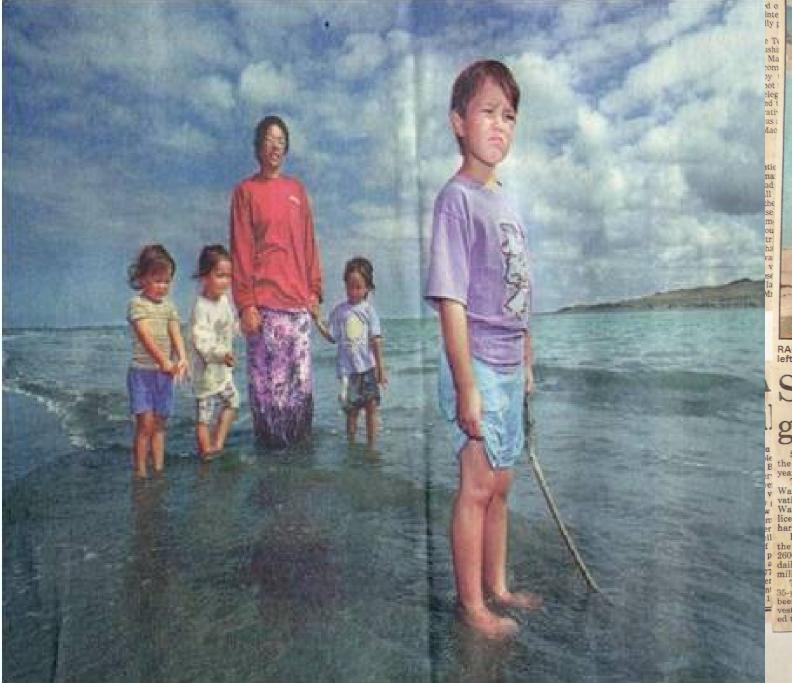


Tainui hapu southern coastal area -Karioi Native Reserve

Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840



One hundred and seventy nine years ago our tupuna te Patete signed te Tiriti o Waitangi. This covenant was supposed to establish an honourable relationship between hapu and the Crown.





RAGLAN's Maori community is disappointed sewage is likely to continue being pumped into the harbour. From left, Kelly McLean, Norm Waller, Ritchie Macpherson and Dierdre Waitere.

PICTURE: Bill McNicol

Sewage pumping into harbour gets Environment Waikato nod

Sewage is likely to be pumped into the Ragian Harbour for another five pointed at the council's decision. years at least.

Waikato has recommended to Conser- cil, members said the recommendation vation Minister Denis Marshall the Waikato District Council be granted a Ragian Harbour. licence to discharge sewage into the harbour until August 1998.

If the recommendation is adopted, the district council will pump up to 2600 cu m of sewage into the harbour daily - the equivalent of about 100 milk tanker loads.

The district council applied for a 35-year licence term. However, that has been cut to five years to ensure it investigates and implements an upgraded treatment system.

While it recognises strict conditions The regional council Environment have been placed on the district counallowed for continued pollution of the

Angeline Greensill, a representative of the Whaingaroa Ki Te Whenua Trust which objected to the sewage application, said the operation was believed to be the cause of dying mussel and pipi beds.

sacred Maori site, an issue which had been ignored by the district council, said Ms Greensill.

She believed recommended condi-tions to be imposed on the district

Raglan's Maori community is disap- council were not enough to justify the present operation being continued.

Maori support a land disposal system for Raglan's sewage.

Several other conditions will be placed on the district council if the discharge licence is finally approved by Mr Marshall.

They will require it to carry out a high level of maintenance and upgrading work, an environmental programme including the effect of sewage discharge on shellfish and harbour recreation, Sewerage ponds were located on a and a technical investigation of the present system to be presented to the regional council within six months.

The council will also have to inves-tigate alternative sewage treaterment



