

AORERE PROGRESS UPDATE

Winter 2022

DECONSTRUCTED STATE HOMES GET A SECOND LIFE IN TONGA

Six Kāinga Ora state homes that once stood in Mangere have been carefully deconstructed, salvaged, and packed into a 40ft container bound for Tonga to help with phase two of the Islands' infrastructure rebuild after the devastating eruption of Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai. The container is filled with timber, joinery, ovens and window frames all of which can be repurposed on the Island.

The old state homes came from Stage 2 of the Aorere Development, and the deconstruction initiative has been led by the Piritahi Aorere project team. Aotearoa Tonga Relief Committee are co-ordinating the container directly from Aorere to the Port. Volunteers from the Mangere Tongan community have been busy sorting through the items and preparing the containers for voyage.

The salvaged materials are a welcome and much needed resource for the people of Tonga, explains Aotearoa Tongan Relief Committee Secretary Manase Lua. "We really need construction materials that will help Tonga rebuild homes, amenities and infrastructure."

Demolition waste accounts for at least 40% of all waste sent to landfill in New Zealand. Kāinga Ora is on a mission to reduce the amount of waste we send to landfill by working with contractors, partners and social organisations like Aotearoa Tonga Relief Committee. "In developing sustainable house removal practices, we strive to achieve greater social, environment and innovative outcomes," Aorere Assistant Development Manager Ema Latu explains.

Kāinga Ora will continue to try and find more relocation and deconstruction opportunities in the future. "By deconstructing these old state homes and sending them over to Tonga, we reduce our carbon footprint and give materials that would otherwise be sent to landfill a second life."



THE GIFT OF PARTNERSHIP

Ohai Tonga President and internationally acclaimed artist Uili Lousi, recently presented one of his geometric artworks to Kāinga Ora Regional Director of Counties Manukau, Angela Pearce, in recognition of the recycled materials donated to Tonga. This striking gift will hang in the Mangere Development office and be a fond reminder of the partnership with our Pasifika neighbours.



Hello Kia Ora Talofa lava Malo e lelei Ni hao Namaste

HANDS-ON LEARNING WITH CONSTRUCTION PLUS - MAHI ORA

Construction Plus – Mahi Ora Work Experience Programme is an innovative Kāinga Ora school holiday programme. It offers Auckland high school students opportunities to gain valuable (paid) work experience on civil engineering sites in their own neighbourhoods. The programme is a Kāinga Ora initiative, run through the Piritahi alliance.

Seti Afoa, from Piritahi recently spoke with local Aorere College student Edward Vitale about his April 2022 school holiday experience at a civil construction site close to home. At the end of the programme, Edward concluded that, “he would like a job in construction one day.”

Edward loved the hands-on learning of the Construction Plus - Mahi Ora Work Experience Programme. “Before we started here, I thought we were coming only to observe. I thought we were not going to get involved in the actual work, but we got to do a lot of work. It’s been great.”

Edward has good advice for young people like himself thinking about joining Construction Plus - Mahi Ora. “It’s good to get out of your comfort zone, and try new things.” Edward also thinks that some parents’ misconceptions about construction can be a barrier for students like him considering jobs in the industry, and that school leavers are missing out on real opportunities.

“There are no low jobs in construction. I learnt in a short time that there are heaps of technical skills a young person can learn at a construction site. There are a lot of jobs in construction like building, heavy machinery operators, and truck driving.” Edward hopes to return to the same Aorere site in the next school holidays to gain more work experience.



COMMUNITY PUMP TRACK

If you’re keen to get the kids out and about this winter, check out the pump track at the temporary park, connecting Mayflower Close and Winthrop Way. This fun amenity is great for all ages and for all types of riders. So gather up your bikes, scooters and skateboards, and hit the track!

McKenzie Tuala-Pine, Programme Manager of Placemaking at Kāinga Ora commented on the community amenity. “We’re really excited to bring this pump track to Aorere. It will be great for local whānau, and give kids something fun to do on the weekends, or as they walk through the park on their way to school.”



AORERE DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS UPDATE

The development work in Aorere will take place in stages over the next 5 years. We are currently working on Stages 1 and 2. The Kāinga Ora Customer Liaison team is working through the relocation process with state housing customers who are currently affected within future stages of the development.



ESTIMATED DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

AUTUMN 2022

Construction of the new Stage 1 homes continues.

Stage 1 road upgrades are completed.

Stage 2 house removals are completed.

WINTER 2022

The first Stage 1 homes are completed.

Stage 2 civil works commence.

House removals (circled on map) in future stage areas are taking place to enable infrastructure upgrades required for Stage 2.

SPRING 2022

Further Stage 1 homes are completed.

Stage 2 civil works continue.

SUMMER/AUTUMN 2022/2023

Construction of the first new homes in Stage 2 commences.



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MEET KATHLEEN LOLOHEA

STAKEHOLDER RELATIONSHIP MANAGER | MANGERE DEVELOPMENT

What does your role involve?

As the Stakeholder Relationship Manager for Mangere, my role is to support the delivery of new homes through effective stakeholder engagement in the community. I help the community have a voice.

What do you enjoy most about your role?

I love connecting with local network groups and organisations. The biggest highlight for me is seeing the passion of the community and being able to work collaboratively together to help build a thriving community.

What do you love most about the Mangere community?

I love that the local community here in Mangere is so diverse and full of passion – it is a community with a real sense of ownership and pride. A real sense of belonging.

What were you doing previously?

I worked as a Customer Liaison Advisor for the Kāinga Ora Roskill Development. I assisted with moving customers affected by the development into new homes.

What do you like doing outside of the office?

My two favourite things to do would have to be going on hikes, with my favourite spot being anywhere near a waterfall such as Marokopa falls in the Waikato region. My second favourite thing to do is to travel. Even though borders have been closed off to most of the world, has required me to appreciate in exploring our own back yard. My last favourite place was experiencing Milford Sound in Fiordland National Park.

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Kāinga Ora State Home Customers

If you are a Kāinga Ora customer and have rehousing or customer-related questions, please contact the Customer Support Centre on **0800 801 601**.



Laying the Groundwork

Piritahi is our civil works partner. They prepare the land, remove old state homes and upgrade streets and infrastructure before building starts. For any questions about civil works please contact Piritahi on **0508 PIRITAHĪ** or email info@piritahi.nz.