

Kaiata Kaitao



"As a young Cook Islands Māori woman in Aotearoa, I have been privileged to grow up with an expanded perspective of the world – especially with regards to decision-making spaces and how they operate. Since I was young, I've had a high level of appreciation for what it means to hold a seat at the table. This increased social awareness, combined with a general thirst for knowledge, has contributed heavily to my want for a higher level of political education. It is for this reason that I was incredibly interested in becoming a Youth MP. I am grateful for the opportunity to share in the wealth of political knowledge held by both peers and mentors, as well as to offer insights of my own."

Selecting MP: Teanau Tuiono

Location: Hawke's Bay