

## **Trustee Profile: Adam Justin Puna**

My main aim is to see the business grow, which would create employment and education for our whānau and future generations. Success of the trust would ensure we build a place of identity for both young and old.

I was born in Tangoio and lived there to the age of 15. I had humble beginnings brought up only by my mother (Herita Haua Puna) along with two other siblings, with another 4 whanaued out. I must mention here my father was (Sonny Taylor). Till this day I still have fond memories of my childhood times in Tangoio and looking back I perceived it as character building which made me all the stronger to succeed in life and accomplished and achieved all the success I have today. Married with two sons, of my 66 years of age 43 of those I have lived and worked in Australia.

I am a qualified carpenter by trade with cottage and commercial experience. Currently employed in the Open Cut Coal Mining industry I am licensed to operate heavy machinery with 32 years experience. I have been a successful owner/operator of two businesses which has given me the insight into business practices and financial accountability. I also manage my own self-managed superannuation fund which is established as a trust and gives me a good understanding of my obligations.

My vision for Maungaharuru-Tangitū Trust is to generate enough income to grow the business.

