

**List of Questions asked through SLI.DO at the 2018 Rural Connectivity Symposium, 26<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Asked during the presentation of Robyn Kamira and Antony Royal**

<b>Question</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Answer</b>
Any comment on how (largely pakeha) businesses can approach Maori organisations to work collaboratively?	6	<p>Many non-Maori companies are approached by Maori rather than the other way around. This happens because those businesses may have participated in building networks and relationships, and may have taken time to understand the political and social environments in which Maori organisations operate, and the values that are at play. Building genuine relationships is incredibly important.</p> <p>Starting out, it's useful to approach through someone who can introduce a company into a circle and network where all of this is present. Credibility by association is important.</p>
Awesome work at Mitimiti, how does this approach reach other Marae?	3	<p>One of the learnings from this project, is that is not easily replicated. The technology / infrastructure was not built in a way that allowed for a "plug and play" approach - as Antony mentioned when he spoke. This is something that many of us in the room would like to see addressed either through RBI1 (what was not done) or RBI2 (what should be done moving forward).</p> <p>In addition, we've come to learn that having the support of Marae Trusts is critical. A Trust that has a local champion from within the community will more likely get traction. That person is willing to learn about the project and to build at least a rudimentary understanding of the technologies involved, and acts as the bridge between the companies and their Boards/Trusts where decisions are made.</p>
What's your stance on fibre v's wireless to deliver rural connectivity?	1	My stance is that each community and its environs is unique. We should ask what does this community need and how best can we deliver it (technology choices, affordability, quality, etc). I also like to ask whether what we deliver will still have value in say 5 year's time.
What matters to Maori matters to us all. Ka mau te wehi. Kia ora.	0	Tena ko koe!
Why isnt Robyn wearing a hard hat in the photo of the build?	0	I see we have a Health and Safety Officer in our midst and so just want to share this photo as evidence ...

			
<p>Comment-only 22 schools in nz are used as community fibre hubs. One company has 6. Problem, so many hoops to jump through.</p>	<p>0</p>	<p>Yes agree. Schools are great hubs, so are marae all over the country. Let's make this much easier ☺</p>	