Tupara Morrison

Tupara is from the Morrison and Mitchell whānau of Ngāti Whakaue (Ngāti Hurungaterangi, Ngāti Pukaki koromatua hapū)

A Fellow of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, Tupara is an accounting and finance graduate from Massey University. He began his corporate career as Financial Accountant for Lakes DHB.

Tupara brings over 30 years of executive and governance experience in the health, tertiary education, research and innovation, tourism, iwi development, and housing and urban development sectors. He moved to Auckland in 2012 after being appointed inaugural Chief Executive of Ngāti Whātua Orākei Whai Maia Ltd.

Tupara is now Head of Māori Development at Air NZ coming from Kainga Ora, the Crown entity tasked with activating programmes and associated projects to address national housing issues on behalf of the Government.

Tupara is also a director on 4 external organisations – Te Puia Management Limited at the NZ Māori Arts and Crafts Institute in Rotorua, Apprentice Training NZ Trust, MAST Academy, and Ngāti Whakaue Assets Trust. He has well developed relationships and networks in a number of key sectors nationally as well as with local Government bodies and central Government ministries and agencies.

Tupara's technical skills are in governance, financial management, Māori strategy, business development and strategic partnerships.