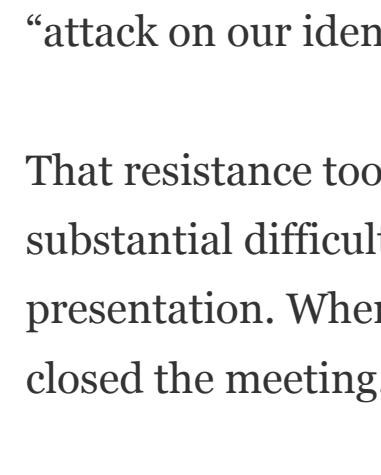


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## Mike Butler: The denigration of Julian

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The beneficiaries and supporters of "co-governance" have stepped out into the open, courtesy of Julian Batchelor's Stop Co-governance tour. And that is what powered the chaotic meeting in Hastings, on Monday, July 24, when the local iwi chair Bayden Barber sent in his people to resist this "attack on our identity". (1)

That resistance took the form of persistent heckling which posed substantial difficulties for Batchelor to get through his three-hour plus presentation. When a heckler starting smashing Batchelor's gear, police closed the meeting.

Iwi chair Barber's interference preceded the meeting that was first booked at the HB Racing Centre. Without speaking to the racing centre, Barber released an open letter urging the centre to cancel the booking.

A church in Havelock North was the next venue, but threats cause that to be cancelled. Those wanting to attend were required to go to the Havelock North church to find out that the third venue, the former Dollarama shop in the main street of Hastings, was the place to go. (2)

Barber's mob found out the address. When I drove into the carpark at the back of the shop, I could see familiar iwi faces already there so knew that we were in for a rowdy night.

At the outset, Batchelor explained that the meeting was private, like a wedding reception, and that he had the right to ask people to go, and if they resisted, police would usher them out. He said that the time for questions was at the end of his presentation.

That was perhaps too long to wait for a tall, young, and well-upholstered individual standing at the back who asked, politely, to know what co-governance was.

He did not seem to understand Batchelor's explanation, early in his presentation, that it was a plan for tribal control of New Zealand, with the blueprint being the *He Puapua* document introduced covertly by the current government. Tall guy at back repeated his question a number of times.

Another well-upholstered individual addressed by someone as "Irishman", who took a phone call from reporter Claudette Hauiti from Radio Waatea during the meeting, continued the early heckling.

When told that it was a private meeting, portly aged Irishman argued that he had been invited and held up a Stop Co Governance booklet with an invitation attached to it.

The early heckling got to a level that Batchelor would not start his Powerpoint presentation. He called police and waited.

The police took about 30 minutes to get there, which was a bit of a mystery because the police station is located just over the road. While waiting, the tall, young, well-upholstered individual at the back took Batchelor's silence as a cue to give a talk of his own.

After about 10 minutes of waiting while the heckling escalated, Batchelor put on some techno music and displayed an island paradise backdrop featuring a bikini woman on the screen.

Police finally made their way over the road. Batchelor asked for the portly Irishman to be removed, along with another back-row male covertly filming the show, as well as a mouthy woman.

By that time, the tall, young, well-upholstered individual at the back had given a substantial talk of his own so he had to go as well. Police seemed reluctant to remove him.

Batchelor asked the head officer if he was scared of the tall guy at the back. Batchelor then pointed out that since the head cop had kicked out three people who were not Maori, and that if he was reluctant to kick out a Maori, for the same behaviour, he was not applying the law equally for the same behaviour.

The tall guy at the back was ushered out.

The gear smasher came in late. She took up a seat in the front row, which should have been a red light for Batchelor.

The corrupting influence of the Public Interest Journalism funding for media forms an early part of Batchelor's presentation.

He screens News Hub footage of a public meeting held in Orewa that included an interview with a young woman who gave all the appearances of a victim of an attack on her identity.

Then Batchelor showed footage taken by his camera person at that meeting that showed the "victim" woman morphed into a perpetrator tearing up booklets while a constable looked on.

That was the trigger.

Gear-smashing woman was on her feet, Batchelor's slimline Apple laptop was in the air and then crashed to the concrete floor, his projector was tipped on to the floor.

Batchelor jumped to get between his gear and gear-smasher woman. Police rushed over. The gear-smasher was pulled out of the meeting, shouting, swearing, threatening.

Police closed the meeting. So much for iwi chair Bayden Barber's respectful protest.

Meanwhile, evictees did not quietly go home. They went around to the main-street entrance of the building and started singing, songs in Maori, and an old World War 2 song.

The singing escalated. An opera singer who had been evicted joined the street protesters. His is the loudest singing voice I have ever heard. It boomed through the venue.

Banging ensued. Street protesters forced the sliding glass doors open. A haka eventuated, shaking the building.

Police stood in a line inside the now partly open glass doors facing by that time more than 100 protesters on the outside. Police wanted Batchelor to leave before protesters tried to come around to the back door exit. Batchelor packed up his gear and was gone.

The mouthy woman evictee blamed Batchelor for everything. "If you were not here, this would not be happening. I'm worried that someone would bring a gun".

Such a race pile-on is not new. That was what happened when Hobson's Pledge first appeared in public by way of a mild interview on radio involving Don Brash, Casey Costello and Leighton Smith in 2016.

Albeit without the face-to-face grimaces and threats, the Brash-Costello pile-on operated out of the same playbook as the attack on Batchelor.

The target messenger is called a racist to distract attention from the message and to make it uncomfortable for likely supporters of the new message.

Many slink away when called a racist. Not Batchelor. He went through it all, on his own, when extremists in the Bay of Islands tried to drive him off his land. He has faced death threats and has sustained substantial property damage courtesy of "tangata whenua".

I have attended two full Stop Co-Governance meetings, one in Invercargill about a month ago via live stream, and one in the Hastings area on July 25.

Incidentally, the Irishman at the July 24 meeting turned out to be a person named Dennis O'Reilly who has been a go-to person for media on the subject a crime and gangs.

He presents himself as a life-time member of Black Power, and is a social services entrepreneur, a professional go-between the government of the day and Maori, which currently includes writing cultural reports for crims at \$5000 a report. (3)

O'Reilly wrote that he was "intrigued by the amount of disinformation in the booklet" and promised to "write a list of rebuttals" to discredit the accuracy of Batchelor's Stop Co-governance booklet. (4)

The closest O'Reilly has got to a "list of rebuttals" so far has been in an article in E-Tangata in which he listed a number of statements by Batchelor and characterised them as "a muddle of misinformation and mischief". (5)

O'Reilly did spot an error in the booklet, in which Batchelor wrote that "by 1865, Maori had sold 90 percent of New Zealand to settlers".

In reality, total land sales by Maori, when all the selling had been done and not in 1865, amounted to about 93 percent of New Zealand's total land area which is 26 million hectares.

A total of 1.47 million hectares remains owned by Maori (including customary land). The remainder, about 400,000 hectares, was confiscated as a penalty for rebelling against the government during the 1860s.

These figures are all held in Government archives. These figures contrast with the claim by radicals that all Maori land was stolen.

Surprising is O'Reilly's lack of awareness of the existence of the Busby February 4 draft of the Treaty of Waitangi, also known as the Littlewood Treaty, that was found in a drawer in Pukekohe in 1989.

Without looking further, O'Reilly declares that it does not exist because he "can find no reference to this document in Ned Fletcher's *The English text of the Treaty of Waitangi*".

Sorry to say Dennis but the Littlewood treaty does in fact exist and has just two differences from the final text in Maori, Te Tiriti, being the date and the absence of the word "Maori" in Article 3.

The Littlewood Treaty remains controversial because it has no reference to forests and fisheries and, by being the mirror image in English of the Maori text, demystifies the contents of the treaty.

That Littlewood Treaty was on display in National Archives intermittently from 1992 to 2017 when it was filed out of sight, after a number of official attempts to discredit it.

The question should be why did Fletcher choose to ignore the Busby situation in his recent Treaty book and why have governments tried to discredit and distance themselves from the Littlewood Treaty.

The government's plan for co-governance is not a fiction.

The actual plan is for two governments for New Zealand, one by Maori for Maori and the other, a fully bicultural version of what we already have, subject to a tribal monitoring committee, is clearly spelt out in the government commissioned document titled He Puapua. (6)

Perhaps those who are shocked and hear Batchelor warning about it feel challenged by something new and unfamiliar.

The government definitely did not want to know about the leader before the plan was publicised in dramatic fashion by ACT Party leader David Seymour and former National Party leader Judith Collins in April 2021.

Perhaps those who feel that Batchelor is attacking their identity have been molleyed too long and feel that their careers may be at risk.

Batchelor's co-governance tour is a warning, a wake-up call. It is also time to decide which side you are on – do you want one government for everyone, or do you want two governments under a tribal monitoring committee.

Perhaps the behaviour of people under the direction of a local iwi chair may give you a hint of what tribal rule is going to be like.

And now is the best time to decide – in the lead-up to an election, the only time during which politicians have to listen to voters. And that's why Batchelor is a threat. And this is why so much effort is going into denigrating Julian Batchelor.

Batchelor is drawing attention to an official race-based rort that involves massive amounts of money and political power, and the beneficiaries of that rort, as well as its enablers, want you to look elsewhere.

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AT 3:15 PM

5 COMMENTS:

Anonymous said...  
Where is the whakatane meeting being held?  
AUGUST 1, 2023 AT 5:40PM

CXH said...  
I could deal with co-governance if it was done correctly. All Kiwis with a drop of Maori blood need to be on one side. There should be a compulsory DNA test for all of us. Any Maori markers and you are on the Maori roll.  
Then the rest of us can get to wear an armband of whatever colour is chosen for us.  
AUGUST 1, 2023 AT 6:12PM

Anonymous said...  
The scene is set. Imagine now that Labour's star is falling, when they are ousted in October, what happens next?  
This government has bribed the media who have preached the propaganda and also bribed and primed the gangs and tribal groups. Do we get BLM style disruptions when they don't get the government they want?  
MC  
AUGUST 1, 2023 AT 9:52PM

Anonymous said...  
It's an outright disgrace that we no longer have free speech in NZ. I have nothing but respect for Mr Batchelor and he has every right to say what he does, but he is certainly up against it. Even getting venues is very difficult and, if you doubt it, go ahead and try? Our Council's and many other hall owner's are covered into preventing him hiring a venue for a right to speak out.  
It's not unlike what Kellie-Jay Keen-Minshall found herself up against in her attack on Albert Park. This is not the NZ I want for my or my family's future and shame on these violent, 'racist'/identity discriminating protesters, and shame on our useless Police force.  
Indeed, all those that do not uphold this as essential to our democracy and denigrate our right to freedom of expression, deserve our disgust and contempt.  
AUGUST 1, 2023 AT 10:15PM

Anonymous said...  
To CXH:  
That still does not address the issue of the veto - which means ultimate power is held by one minority ( i.e. ) Maori only.  
Many naive people who support co-governance as a nice idea have no clue about this very dangerous aspect which would replace NZ's democracy by an ethnocracy.  
No wonder the explanation is never clear and they are led to believe that there is nothing to fear.  
AUGUST 2, 2023 AT 4:32AM

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