

Council

Meeting of 12 November 2025

Business Unit: People and Corporate

Date Created: 31 October 2025

Subordinate Decision-Making Bodies and Elected Member Appointments

Purpose Te Aranga o te Pūrongo

To establish subordinate decision-making bodies of the Council (including their memberships) and to appoint several elected member representatives to other groups.

Recommendations Ngā Tūtohunga

1. That the Council confirms the establishment of the below subordinate decision-making bodies, including the listed memberships:

Body	Elected Members
Submissions Assessment Panel	Cr's Bridget Bell, Alison Short, Shelley Dew-Hopkins, Rob Duindam, Grant Hadfield, and the Mayor
Waste Levy Assessment Panel	Cr Grant Hadfield

2. That the attached terms of reference document for the Submissions Assessment Panel be adopted by the Council without amendment.

3. That the Council appoints the below elected member representatives to other groups as listed:

Group	Elected Member
CEDA Electoral College	Cr's Grant Hadfield, Shelley Dew-Hopkins, and the Mayor
Civil Defence Emergency Management Group	The Mayor
District Licensing Committee	Cr's Alison Short and Rob Duindam (appointments expire 10 October 2028)
Feilding District Promotion	Cr's Andrew Quarrie and Rob Duindam
Feilding Flood Resilience Governance Group	The Mayor (Chair) and Cr Sam Hill

Grow Manawatu District	The Mayor
Heartland Contractors	Cr Grant Hadfield, and the Mayor, and Chief Executive
Horizons Passenger Transport Representative	Cr Colin Dyer
Mana Whakahaere	Cr's Rob Duindam, James McKelvie, and the Mayor, and Chief Executive
Manawatu River Leaders Accord	The Mayor
Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Disaster Relief Fund Trust	The Mayor
Manfeild Electoral College	The Mayor and Chief Executive
MDC Health & Safety Committee (Governance Representative)	Cr Rob Duindam

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1 Background Ngā Kōrero o Muri

- 1.1 The Mayor has discussed proposed appointments individually with councillors.

2 Strategic Fit Te Tautika ki te Rautaki

- 2.1 Elected member appointments ensure effective, representative governance that supports all Council priorities — particularly *A future planned together* and *Value for money and excellence in local government*.

3 Discussion and Options Considered Ngā Matapakinga me ngā Kōwhiringa i Wānangahia

- 3.1 The Mayor has held individual discussions with councillors regarding the appointment of elected members to internal and external groups. Based on these discussions, officers have prepared draft recommendations for the Council's consideration and adoption.

4 Risk Assessment Te Arotake Tūraru

- 4.1 There are no risks associated with this report.

5 Engagement Te Whakapānga

Significance of Decision

- 5.1 The Council's Significance and Engagement Policy is not triggered by matters discussed in this report. No stakeholder engagement is required.

Māori and Cultural Engagement

- 5.2 There are no known cultural considerations associated with the matters addressed in this report. No specific engagement with Māori or other ethnicity groups is necessary.

Community Engagement

- 5.3 No community engagement is required.

6 Operational Implications Ngā Pānga Whakahaere

- 6.1 The appointment of elected members to other groups (refer to recommendation 3) does not entail any operational implications.

7 Financial Implications Ngā Pānga Ahumoni

- 7.1 It will be proposed in a separate report that several elected members on the Submissions Assessment Panel are remunerated for their duties.

8 Statutory Requirements Ngā Here ā-Ture

- 8.1 As per the LGA 2002 (schedule 7, cl. 30), the Council has the authority to establish subordinate decision-making bodies and make appointments to such groups.

9 Next Steps Te Kokenga

- 9.1 Officers will update the governance appointments register and publish the confirmed memberships on Council's website.

10 Attachments Ngā Āpitihanga

- Terms of Reference – Submissions Assessment Panel