Voting closes at: 12 noon on Saturday, 11 October 2025















Põtitanga Kawanatanga ā Rohe 2025 Local Government Elections



How to return your completed voting paper



Post into any NZ Post or DX Mail postbox by **Tuesday 7 October 2025**.

OR



Drop your completed voting paper into any of the **orange ballot bins** at the following locations:

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- Makino Aquatic Centre
 10 Council Place, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 6.00am to 9.00pm
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- 64 Stafford Street, Feilding
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 Sat 9.30am to 4.00pm
- Manawatū District Council

 135 Manehester Street, Feilding

 Mon to Fri 8.30am to 5.00pm
- Feilding & District Promotion 22 Manchester Square, Feilding Mon to Fri 9.00am to 4.30am
- Senior Hub

 14 Bowen Street, Feilding
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 44 Kimbolton Road, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 8am to 6.00pm
 Sat & Sun 9.00am to 4.00pm
- Manchester House
 68 Aorangi Road, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 9.00am to 4.30pm
- New World
 42 Aorangi Street, Feilding
 Mon to Sun 7.00am to 9.00pm
- Evolve Fitness

 18 Gladstone Street, Feilding

 Mon to Fri 6.00am to 7.30pm

 Sat 8.45am to 1.00pm

Outer

- Feilding High School
 1 Churcher Street, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 8.00am to 4.00pm
- Feilding Health Care
 7 Duke Street, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 8.00am to 5.30pm
 Sat 9.00am to 12.00pm
- Ngā Kaitiaki O Ngāti Kauwhata 139 South Street, Feilding Mon to Fri 9.00am to 4.00pm
- SP North End
 300 Kimbolton Road, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 6.00am to 10.00pm
 Sat & Sun 7.00am to 10.00pm
- Feilding Golf Shop
 1487 Waughs Road, Feilding
 Mon to Fri 8.00am to 5.00pm
 Sat & Sun 7.00am to 5.00pm
- Resene Colorshop

 109 Kimbolton Road, Feilding

 Mon to Fri 7.30am to 5.00pm

 Sat 9.00am to 12.00pm

Rural

- Hansens Café, Kimbolton 2900 Kimbolton Road, Kimbolton Sun to Thurs 10.00am to 4.00pm Fri to Sat 10.00am to 7.00pm
- W Amey and Co, Rongotea 61 Thames Street, Rongotea Mon to Sat 8.00am to 5.15pm Sat 9am to 12pm
- Harris Contracting, Sanson
 52 Phillips Street, Sanson
 Mon to Fri 8am to 5.00pm
 Sat 9.00am to 12.00pm
- Himatangi Beach Store 2 Hunia Terrace, Himatangi Beach Bin located outside
- Halcombe School
 30 Monteith Street, Halcombe
 Mon to Fri 8.30am to 3.30pm

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Three easy steps to complete your postal voting.



1. Vote

Follow the instructions on your voting document.



Place your voting document in the orange return envelope and seal.



3. Return

Return via freepost, or drop your orange envelope in a ballot box before voting closes.

Helping you to vote for this election

- Candidates are listed in the voting document under the elections they are standing for.
- We have colour coded the voting document and this profile book to help you match the elections and candidate profiles.
- This booklet may contain other elections that do not apply to you.

The successful candidates make decisions that affect us all every day. You will find all or some of these positions on your voting document:

- **The Mayor** is the leader of the City or District Council.
- The City or District Council provides communities with a wide range of local services and facilities. Councils make decisions to improve community wellbeing including key infrastructure (e.g. water supply, sewerage, roads), local regulations, recreational facilities, parks, planning and building issues. The council may be elected 'at-large' or divided into wards (including general or Māori).
- The Regional Council makes decisions about functions best delivered at a regional scale such as natural resource management (e.g. quality of water, allocation of water, land and soil, coastal planning, plant and pest control), regional transport, and civil defence and emergency management. Unitary Authorities perform the functions of both City or District Councils and Regional Councils. The regional council is divided into constituencies (which may be general or Māori).

Important dates for this election

Drop

it in aballot box at selected locations **before voting closes** for ballot box locations see inside your voting pack or visit your Council's website.

or

Return

it in the freepost envelope no later than **Tuesday**,

7 October 2025.

Voting closes 12, Midday, Saturday, 11 October 2025

Need more help? You can ask another person to help you mark the document if you can't see well or read or write or have difficulty with English. If you are unsure what to do, or have made a mistake that you can't correct clearly, contact the electoral officer on the number shown on the voting document.

Te āwhina i a koe ki te pōti i tēnei pōtitanga

- E rārangi ana ngā kaitono ki te pepa pōti i raro i ngā pōtitanga e tū ana rātau.
- Kua whakaritea e mātou he tūtohi ā-tae ki te tuhinga pōti me tēnei pukapuka kīwhaiaro hei āwhina i a koe kia hāngai ki ngā pōtitanga me ngā kīwhaiaro kaitono.
- Kei roto pea i tēnei puka iti ko ētahi atu pōtitanga kāore i te hāngai ki a koe.

Ka whakatau tikanga ngā kaitono angitu ka whai pānga ki a tātou i ia rā. Ka kite koe i ēnei tūranga katoa, ētahi noa iho rānei, i runga i tō pepa pōti:

- Ko te Koromatua (Mayor) te kaiārahi o te Kaunihera ā-Tāone, ā-Takiwā rānei.
- Ka whakarato te Kaunihera ā-Tāone, ā-Tākiwā (City or District Council) rānei i te whānuitanga o ngā ratonga me ngā whakaurunga paetata ki te hapori. Ka tuku whakatau ngā Kaunihera hei whakapai ake i te oranga hapori, tae atu ki ngā hanganga matua (hei tauira, te ratonga wai, pūnaha parakaingaki, rori) ngā waeture ā-rohe, whakaurunga whakangahau, ngā pāka, ngā take whakamahere, waihanga hoki. Ka pōtihia 'whānuitia' pea te kaunihera, ka wehea rānei ki ngā rohe pōti (tae atu ki te rohe pōti whānui, Māori rānei).
- Kei te Kaunihera ä-Rohe (Regional Council) ngā whakatau mo ngā whakahaere ka whakaratoa ā-rohetia pērā i te whakahaere rawa māori (hei tauira, te mauri o te wai, te toha wai, whenua me te opeone, te whakamahere takuta, te whakahaere tarutaru me te kirearea), tūnuku ā-rohe, te whakamaru ohotata me te whakahaere ohotatā. Ka whakahaerehia e ngā Mana Whakatopū (Unitary Authorities) ngā mahinga a ngā Kaunihera ā-Tāone, ā-Takiwā rānei me ngā Kaunihera ā-Rohe. Ka wekea ngā kaunihera ā-rohe ki ngā rohe pōti (ko te rohe pōti whānui pea, Māori rānei).

Ngā rā hira mō tēnet potitanga

Me heri atu

ki tētahi pouaka þóði i ngā wāhi kua tīpakohia **i mua i te katinga o ngā pōti** - mō ngā wāhi pouaka pōti tirohia tō mōkī pōti, haere rānei ki te paetukutuku a tō Kaunihera.

tērā rānei

Whakahokia

mā te kōpaki koreutu i mua o te **Tūrei, 7 o Oketopa 2025**. **Ka kati te pōtitanga ā te 12pm, te Poupoutanga o te**

Rā, Rāhoroi, te 11 o Oketopa 2025

Kei te hiahia āwhina atu anō? Ka āhei koe ki te tono ki tētahi tangata hei āwhina i a koe ki te māka i te pepa mēnā he uaua tō kite, pānui, tuhi rānei, he uaua rānei ki a koe te kōrero Pākehā. Mēnā kāore i te mārama ki a koe me aha, i hapa rānei koe kāore nei i te mārama tō whakatika, me whakapā atu ki te āpiha pōti mā te nama kei te pepa pōti.

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Matawaia te waehere QR, haere rānei ki te paetukutuku i raro mō ngā tohutohu mā te kaipōti

Scan the QR code or visit the website below for voter instructions

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请扫描二维码或访问以下网站获取选民须知

查閱選民投票指引,請掃描二維碼或瀏覽以下網址

I-scan ang QR code o bisitahin ang website sa ibaba para sa mga tagubilin sa botante

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Māori Wards and Māori Constituencies Polls

Background

Following a recent law change, any council (city, district or region) that established Māori wards or Māori constituencies since 2020 without holding a poll, is required to hold a poll with their 2025 local elections.

The poll is for all electors and is a vote to **KEEP** or **REMOVE** Māori wards or Māori constituencies in your local council area.

The outcome of the poll is binding and will apply for the next two triennial elections (2028 and 2031) of your local council area.

What am I voting for?

The poll question is:

I vote to **KEEP** Māori wards (or Māori constituencies); or I vote to **REMOVE** Māori wards (or Māori constituencies).

Who is allowed to vote in this poll?

Anyone who is enrolled to vote, whether on the Māori of general electoral roll, is eligible to vote.

What happens after we vote?

This outcome of the poll is binding and will apply for the next two triennial elections (2028 and 2031) for your local council area but will not apply for the 2025-2028 period:

What are Māori wards and Māori constituencies?

Māori wards (for city or district councils) or Māori constituencies (for regional councils) are permitted under the Local Electoral Act 2001 to sit alongside general wards or general constituencies. These are similar to Māori seats for Parliamentary elections.

Who votes for who?

Electors on the Māori electoral roll are able to vote for candidates for a Māori ward and a Māori constituency, but not for candidates in any general ward or general constituency. In the same way, electors on the general electoral roll are able to vote for candidates for a general ward or general constituency, but not for candidates in any Māori ward or Māori constituency. Everyone votes for the mayor and, if applicable, community boards.

Who do Māori ward and Māori constituency councillors represent?

Māori ward and Māori constituency councillors have the same responsibility as general ward and general constituency councillors to represent the entire community. All councillors make a declaration that they will carry out their duties in the best interests of the residents and ratepayers in the area they are elected to represent.

Where can I find out more?

For more information, please scan this QR code or go to www.votelocal.co.nz/maori-wards-and-constituencies/

Ngā Rohe Pōti Māori

He Whakamārama

Whai muri i te huringa o te ture, ko ngā kaunihera (ā-tāone nui, ā-takiwā, ā-rohe rānei) i whakatū rohe pōti Māori mai i te tau 2020 me te kore whakahaere pōti mō te take, me mātua whakahaere pōti ināianei me ā rātou pōtitanga mō te tau 2025.

Ko te pōti mō ngā kaipōti katoa, ā, ko te pōti ko te **PUPURI**, te **WHAKAKORE** rānei i ngā rohe pōti Māori o tō kaunihera.

E herea ana te otinga o te pōti e te ture, ā, ka mana mō ngā pōtitanga o ia toru tau e rua e whai ake (2028 me te 2031) o tō kaunihera.

E pōti ana ahau mō te aha?

Ko te pātai o te pōti:

E põti ana ahau kia **PUPURITIA** ngā rohe põti Māori; tērā rānei E põti ana ahau kia **WHAKAKOREHIA** ngā rohe põti Māori.

Ko wai te hunga e āhei ana ki te pōti?

Ko te hunga e āhei ana ki te pōti ko rātou kua rēhītā kite pōti, ahakoa kei runga i te rārangi pōti Māori, te rārangi (ohe pōti wbānui rānei.

Ka aha i muri i te pōti?

E herea ana te otinga o tenei poti ete ture, ā, ka mana mō ngā potitanga o ia toru tau e rua e whai ake (2028 me te 2031) o to kaunihera engari kaore e mana wō te wā 2025-2028.

He aha ngā rohe poti Māori?

E whakaaetia ana ngà rohe pōti (mō ngā kaunihera tāone nui, ā-takiwā, ā-rohe hoki) i raro i te Local Electoral Act 2001 kia noho i te taha o ngā rohe pōti whānui. He rite ēnei ki ngā tūru Māori mō ngā pōtitanga mō te Whare Pāremata.

E pōti ana te tangata mō wai?

Ka āhei ngā kaipōti o te rārangi pōti Māori ki te pōti mō ngā kaitono o tētahi rārangi pōti Māori, engari kaua ko ngā kaitono o tētahi rārangi pōti whānui. He pērā mō ngā kaipōti o te rārangi pōti whānui ka āhei ki te pōti mō ngā kaitono o tētahi rārangi pōti whānui, engari kaua ko ngā kaitono o tētahi rohe pōti Māori. Ka pōti ngā kaipōti katoa mō te koromatua, ā, mēnā e tika ana, mō ngā poari hapori.

E whakakanohi ana ngā kaikaunihera rohe pōti Māori i a wai?

He rite tonu te kawenga o ngā kaikaunihera o ngā rohe pōti Māori i ō ngā kaikaunihera rohe pōti whānui, arā he whakakanohi i te hapori katoa. Ka tuku whakapuakanga ngā kaikaunihera katoa kia kawea e rātou ā rātou mahi mō te painga o ngā kainoho me ngā kaiutu rēti o te rohe i pōtihia rātou hei māngai.

Ki hea ahau tiki mōhiohio atu anō?

Mō ētahi atu mōhiohio, matawaia tēnei waehere QR haere rānei ki www.votelocal.co.nz/maori-wards-and-constituencies/





Daniel COX

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

My goal is to be transparent and approachable in all interactions with everyone I meet and do the best I can.

With nearly my entire life spent living and working in Feilding, my aim in running is to help build a prosperous, connected, and flourishing future for everyone in our town and the wider district.

I'm committed to the maintenance and improvement of our local amenities and ensuring that the resources and people of our community are treasured and treated to the respect and considerations they deserve.

I believe in an open, collaborative approach, listening and responding to all the views of our ward and district. I want to understand what is important to you and hope to offer a newfound voice to council driven by your concerns and needs. Let's work together and make our community stronger. I'd be honoured to earn your trust and support for this election.

Colin DYER

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

Fifty years in the Manawatu and ten as a proud Feilding resident. A successful early career as a Woolworths supermarket manager around NZ leading to 13 years of Department Store

management including development of the Plaza. CEO of PN. Showgrounds- Arena 1987 –2022 during its halcyon years bringing major events to our region and promoting local sports and recreation. Subsequently operated a motor inn and restaurant before joining Summerset Retirement Villages—runner up NZ Village Manager of the Year 2011. Former member of Jaycees, Rotary and Lions. Previous board member Tourism Manawatu, Manawatu Retailers Assn, VP. Moteliers Assn HB, current President Esplanade Scenic Railway Society, past president Manawatu Philatelic Society. Longtime volunteer for the Cancer Society and Relay for Life, Citizens Advice Bureau and committee member Makino Probus. A wealth of business and financial management experience coupled with meaningful commitment to community service. Thrives on challenges and gets things done.



Grant Gordon HADFIELD

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

It has been an immense privilege to serve as Councillor for the Feilding Ward over the last six years.

Feilding is a great community to live, do business and have fun in. it's important that growth in our community is planned and managed in a sustainable and affordable way, while maintaining not only essential infrastructure but also local control. I am a strong supporter of localism.

I'm a forward thinking and pragmatic former CEO with an extensive background in the farming, publishing, events and education sectors.

My diverse and experienced background allows me to connect and communicate effectively with people from all walks of life. I work well in a team environment - and im not afraid to speak out or ask the hard guestions.

With many colleagues retiring as Councillors in the Feilding ward, I offer continuity and experience and seek your continued support by way of your vote.



Alistair Graeme HICKS

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

As an independent candidate for local council, I, Alistair Graeme Hicks, would like to offer a simple, but focused, approach to key issues that I believe are important; with an emphasis on

honest, hard-working and humble representation focusing on four main areas. The first being financial viability. Every project must be weighed and balanced according to practicality and funding.

Secondly, it's important to have an appropriate and affordable infrastructure development and maintence plan. The third and fourth are viable community projects and sound business growth. These are two areas, I believe, the public are most aesthetically affected by on a day to day basis.

I believe that my life experience and many years of interaction with everyday people in retail gives me a reasonably well rounded comprehension of what locals are wanting, therefore, I am willing to represent them the best way I can.



Sam HILL

My principal place of residence is not in the Feilding General Ward area.

Feilding needs brand new energy on Council—someone who listens to the community and is prepared to roll up their sleeves for the hard work ahead, making decisions that get the

best for our beautiful town and district.

Council must make the most of what makes Feilding great: being a family-friendly, easy-going, and welcoming community as we continue to grow. My top priorities are ensuring value for money, keeping housing affordable, protecting our natural and built heritage, maintaining well-run community facilities, building community resilience, and supporting sustainable development across Feilding and the wider district. As a new candidate with a proven career track record, I bring a healthy dose of common sense, family ties to reilding, and community connections through work, sport, and recreation. I also bring professional expertise in science, including knowledge of community health and wildliffe conservation gained while studying at Massey University. I'm asking for your vote



Raewyn LOADER

My principal place of residence is not in the Feilding General Ward area.

Born and bred in Feilding, I'm proud to whakapapa to the place I call home. With over 11 years' experience as Project Manager for Feilding Promotion, I worked alongside dedicated

volunteers to help make Feilding the best town of its kind in the world.

My role included business and community development, local events, and initiatives -most notably helping attract (then Prince, now King) Charles to our iconic Farmers Market. Approachable and enthusiastic, I'm ready to return to public service with a strong commitment to community wellbeing and connection.

What I Stand For:

Bringing community together with purpose: Mental health advocacy; Intergenerational events and mentorship; Pathways to jobs, education, and housing; Supporting youth-led stewardship; Fresh initiatives for business and economic growth Our mantra:

We strive together. We thrive together.



Aaron MCLEOD

ACT Local: Real Change. Lower Rates.

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

Time and again, Manawatu District Council has put vanity projects and ideology ahead of ratepayers with more council debt, higher rates, yet poorer public services. The Council needs a

shake-up to deliver on the things that matter. Having lived in the Manawatu for nearly 15 years with my wife and kids, I have seen firsthand how much harder it is to raise a family locally. With my background as an Avionics engineer, I know how to solve complex problems and deliver practical solutions to maximise value out of every ratepayer dollar. By giving me your vote as an ACT Local candidate, you know exactly what you are going to get: I will maintain and improve our roads and pipes, eliminate wasteful spending on vanity projects and consultants, and keep rates down If you want to see common sense back on the council table,

please give me one of your votes.



Jerry PICKFORD ACT Local: Real Change, Lower Rates

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

Ratepayers continue to be let down by Manawatu District Council with more wasteful spending, more bureaucracy and red tape, and poorer public services. It is time to give the

Council a wake-up call and focus on the things that matter to local residents.

My long background in the construction sector means I know how to roll my sleeves up, solve problems, and get the job done, and having lived all my life in Manawatu, I understand deeply the issues our local community faces.

By voting for me as an ACT Local candidate, you know what you are going to get: I will deliver the essential infrastructure, cut out wasteful spending on vanity projects, guarantee more accountability and transparency over how decisions are made, and take race out of local politics.

If you want to see common sense back on the council table, please give me one of your votes.



Clive RAHARUHI

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Feilding General Ward area.

Raised between Wellington and Feilding, I spent much of my youth in the Manawatū with whānau—working on farms and at the freezing works. Those early years shaped my values: hard

work, fairness, and community. After living overseas in Australia and the United States, my wife and I have returned to give back to the place we call home.

I celebrate being Māori and Pākehā. My life reflects both, and I believe our diversity is something to honour—not something that should divide us. I bring experience as an international business and media consultant, property investor, youth pastor, and leadership mentor. I've also recently published my first book, The Busboy.

I'm standing for council to help build a future that honours our heritage and diversity, protects our environment, strengthens our economy, and includes and cares too everyone.

Together we can create a Manawatū that's compassionate, innovative, and united:

Manawatū Together.



Tony WRIGHT

My principal place of residence is not in the Feilding General Ward area.

I have enjoyed living the Manawatu district for thirty-five years. I am standing for Council because I now have the time and energy to give something back to the community.

If elected, I will be a strong voice for those who contact me with a valid concern.

I have business experience, with my wife and I owning our own business for ten years. Prior to that, I was managing the largest Painting and Decorating company in the Manawatu.

I also have experience of governance having served on the board of Master Painters NZ for ten years, and Chairman of the Board for one term.

I would like to be part of a team that keeps the Manawatu district advancing and ensuring value for money and transparency for all rate payers.



Shelley DEW-HOPKINS

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū Rural General Ward area.

I farm sheep and beef at Rangiwahia in partnership with my family. I have extensive experience in Governance roles in both urban and rural sectors through local government and

community committees, trustee roles, and Federated Farmers. Currently, I chair the Manawatu River Catchments Collective focusing on good environmental outcomes for all. As a born and bred Manawatu District resident and ratepayer, I have a great understanding of the matters that are important to our rural communities. I am committed to a rating system that is fair to all, support the current effort on planned economic growth for our district, and the existing intergenerational focus on sustainable infrastructure that is funded and delivered in a cost effective and efficient manner. Being a sensible and decisive local voice for rural ratepayers is important to me, and I am committee to serving the wider Manawatu District and making a positive impact for all.



Rob DUINDAM Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū Rural General Ward area.

Rate rises and growing debt are becoming unaffordable for many. I support keeping rates affordable and repaying debt over the medium term. Council must get back to

basics—maintaining and renewing infrastructure in both urban and rural areas. Feilding needs a 10-year plan to improve intersections, roads, and the State Highway to cope with traffic growth. Rural bridges and culverts also need work. Resilience is vital. We face extreme weather, ageing infrastructure, and rising community safety concerns. Council should back community groups, develop a safety and resilience plan, and explore initiatives like a virtual rural safety hub. I support strengthening Manawatū Rural Support, Neighbourhood Support, and Community Patrol. I live on a farm near Feilding, lecture at UCOL, and have extensive Police leadership and military experience. I'm an executive member of the Manawatū District Residents & Ratepayers Association, community-focused and committed to delivering effective council services within budget.



Colin MCFADZEAN

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū Rural General Ward area.

I am an experienced businessman, with a governance and entrepreneurial background, seeking re-election. Having downsized from a sheep and beef farm, I live on a 20ha farm in

Halcombe. As chairman, I have had an involvement for 10 years with the Stanway-Halcombe Water Scheme which has given me the understanding on how to get things done. Regardless of my personal views, have voted for what the wider community has wanted and have supported core infrastructure and investment, balancing the need to keep rates as low as possible, whilst endeavoring that we have a great place to live and grow. Am a strong believer that we all should have equal opportunity and that it is our role to provide leadership and direction for all young people. I believe in up front communication and having a discussion directly, realising that the role of a councillor is defined by law as Governance



James MCKELVIE Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū Rural General Ward area.

Accessible services, responsible spending, strong local hubs, and a great place to raise healthy kids—these are my priorities for Manawatū. I'm running for the rural ward to ensure every

part of our district is heard and supported, especially our smaller communities. Raised and living in rural Manawatū, I understand the pride and challenges of rural life. Everyone should benefit from the services we all fund, with rates spent wisely and transparently.

We're fortunate to have excellent schools, and I'll work to ensure children can reach them safely and easily—because opportunity should never be out of reach.

If elected, I'll champion smart investment in safe infrastructure and well-resourced communities. Let's build a future where Manawatū continues to thrive, families are supported, and every child has a clear path forward.



Andrew QUARRIE

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū Rural General Ward area.

I'm Andrew Quarrie, and along with my wife Marilyn, we farm sheep and cattle near Rongotea. I am a current member of the Rongotea RSA and Lions club. In my 4th term as a

district councillor, I have always tried to put the requirements of the rural community to the fore, and have never shied from voicing my opinion. I am very conservative with the responsibility of spending ratepayers money. I believe in individual responsibility, and do not support any council action/policy which is based solely on race. After this election it will be a very new and inexperienced council. Corporate knowledge and consistency will be required as council navigates forward to meet the issues, challenges that a use. Thank you if you wish me to continue as I have in the past.



Alison SHOR1
An Experienced Rural Voice

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatu Rural General Ward area.

Hellb everyone. I am passionate about my role as a councillor and wish to continue to serve the Manawatū community and am seeking re-election.

Married to Wayne, we live rurally near Halcombe and own a busy trade store in Feilding. We have three adult children. Being a councillor is a big commitment and it has been a privilege being your elected representative for several terms now. I have demonstrated that I have the time, capability, integrity and energy for the position. I always put council first. I am actively involved in all areas of council, holding numerous positions including RMA Commissioner, Hearings Committee chair, District Licensing Committee, Audit & Risk, and a productive member of multiple working groups and assessment panels.

Outside of council I give much of my time to the health & wellbeing sector in a governance capacity where I bring a strong rural voice.



Kirk TROWNSON

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū Rural General Ward area.

I'm a fifth-generation New Zealander, born in Feilding and raised in Kimbolton, with a commitment to fair, informed, and balanced decision-making for all.

As a small business owner living in rural Manawatū, I have strong ties and a genuine commitment to the district. I've built businesses from the ground up and understand the realities of raising a family, managing a home, and running a business. All people deserve practical, down-to-earth representation. I don't claim to have all the answers, but I listen, learn, and will work hard for you. I'm committed to attending local events, supporting grassroots initiatives, and strengthening the rural heart of Manawatū. I bring honesty, experience and a strong desire to serve.

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Nigel BARKER

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū-Rangitīkei Constituency area. We must act boldly on climate resilience, freshwater health, and community wellbeing—while maintaining a balanced approach that includes fiscal responsibility and

proactive measures to address severe weather and environmental change. I grew up in the Rangitikei and now live in Himatangi Beach, bringing a lifelong connection to our region and a passion for Community Resilience. As a proud Pacific New Zealander, I believe leadership is about legacy—honouring the past and protecting the future. With over 30 years' experience in human resource management, emergency services, and governance, I offer practical, people-first leadership. I've served as a Chief Fire Officer, lead Emergency Management initiatives at Massey University, and have contributed to strategic planning and engagement as a University Council member. Horizons must take a research-led approach that balances environmental protection with the real needs of our communities. He tangata, he tangata, he tangata—it is the people who matter most.



Bruce GORDON

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū-Rangitīkei Constituency area. I am seeking your support for a further term to represent our combined districts on Horizons Regional Council. As your councillor I have actively represented the Manawatu/Rangitikei

districts on the relentless challenges that face us. This involves rising to the challenges that central govt legislates on Councils. Having owned an agricultural contracting business for the past 42 years, from our property in Marton, I have a good understanding of the issues our districts and greater region are facing. With my wife Carol I oversee the operation of the valuable community asset, Dudding Lake; we also value our involvement with Community Groups, such as the Marton Lions Club and, we are also active members of Whanganui Aero Club. I enjoy my work as your Regional Councillor and will continue to do my best to represent you.

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Gordon MCKELLAR

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū-Rangitīkei Constituency area.

I run a successful sheep, beef and cropping family business near Feilding, proud to live in this great region for most of my life.

I have a gold medal in Agriculture from Lincoln University and International study at Minnesota University. As your local Horizon's councillor, I have positively represented our combined districts and with your support will remain committed to represent you.

I am proud of my community involvement to clean up our local streams, progress with our waterways involving the community working together. I would continue to build trust and good working relationships for environmental, community and economic enhancement.

Council must focus on its core business with cost effective spending and working to reduce debt levels. It is essential to have affordable Horizon's rates in these challenging times. I will listen and bring common sense to the big issues ensuring a bright future for you and generations to come.



Carl C NETZLER

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Manawatū-Rangitīkei Constituency area.

I am seeking appointment to the Horizons Regional Council as a Councillor based on my skills, experience, and motive to deliver core services. My personal framework delivery goals

are socially enhancing services for all communities – water supply capacity, sporting facilities, bus commuter services, libraries; environmental best practice - rural areas abound with pests and harmful plants e.g. dock-weed; economically managed and control to stay within budget – no surprises for constituents and complies with Long Term Plans and be the constituents' voice advocating the above and open to direct communication with transparent honesty.

Key issues I want to address are separating costs for mandatory services foremost, before making discretionary expenditure wants and focus for my participation – learn from the Council management and team the processes that assist governance plans (fit for purpose and confront challenges collectively).

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Jim Turuhia EDMONDS

My principal place of residence is in the Raki Māori Constituency area.

A Strong Voice for the Raki Māori Electorate Jim Turuhia Edmonds is a trusted leader who has dedicated his life to serving whānau, hapū, and iwi with integrity and vision. Deeply connected to

the whenua and its people, Jim is committed to ensuring Māori voices are heard and respected at the Regional Council table. With extensive governance experience, Jim has worked on initiatives that protect our environment, strengthen local economies, and create better opportunities for future generations. Guided by manaakitanga, kaitiakitanga, and whanaungatanga, he is dedicated to decisions that uplift whānau while preserving our culture and natural resources. Jim believes in practical solutions blending traditional Māori knowledge with modern innovation. His priorities include protecting waterways, supporting whanau well-being, and building sustainable, thriving communities across the Raki region.

I stand for fairness, progress, and unity. Serving with a strong voice for our people and whenua.



Tāwhiao Te Rangi MCMASTER

My principal place of residence is in the Raki Māori Constituency area.

Kei tō te ihu takoto ake Kei tō waenganui tirohia Tēnei ākina Rite kia rite, rite kia rite!

This chant speaks on ensuring that those at work on our Regional Council are led right, elegantly and with command. This is what I will bring to Raki Māori through three kete mātauranga:

Tuairi- Protection of our Wai: I live by our wai, raised by our wai and know our wai;

Tuatea – Protection of our Whenua: Our Māori and Treaty settlement lands need to be treated uniquely by Regional Council and not neglected; Aronui – Protection of our Whakapapa: Having a genuine te ao Māori long-term decision-making focus is something our Regional Council lacks, I will bring this to the forum.

Overall, I will be about it, not speak about it. I'm not searching for political redemption, fame or glory like others. I'm here to do better. For you. Vote PapaTāwh.

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Soraya PEKE-MASON

My principal place of residence is in the Raki Māori Constituency area.

It's an honour to offer myself up as your candidate for Horizons. My experience spans politics and business, including serving on the Ratana Community Board, Rangitikei District

Council, chairing my Iwi PSGE, various Māori Authorities, and serving as a List MP in Parliament. I now seek to take that expertise to the table of Regional Council.

For over 20 years I have dedicated my time and energy to

community development and achieving equitable outcomes—whether at marae, hapū, iwi, or broader community level.

I currently serve on the Whanganui Regional Health Network, Treasurer of Whakaaronui-ki-te-ora MWVL, member Whanganui Māori Tourism and former foundation member of Iwi Māori Partnership Board Te Mātuku.

I bring a renewed burst of energy enthusiasm and commitment to the table, representing your interest will be my number one priority role for the next three years!

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Elijah PUE Te Pāti Māori

My principal place of residence is in the Raki Māori Constituency area.

I'm running for council to serve the community I love. Born, raised and now living in Raetihi, I bring both rural roots and urban experience, which gives me a valuable perspective on the

diverse needs across this place we call home.

As a former elected member of the Ruapehu District Council, I bring a strong understanding of how local government works. I have community governance expertise—serving my iwi and participating on boards across iwi, marae, health sectors, and local businesses. These experiences have deepened my commitment to advocating for our people and our unique environment.

As a rangatahi Māori, I'm eager to build on the achievements of those who came before us. I'm deeply passionate about the wellbeing of our environment, especially the mountain we call Koro and the lifeblood of our rivers and streams we connect to. I'm back and I'm ready to get on with the mahi.

Kei te whai taru kaunihera au mō te hapori e aroha nei au. Ko Raetihi tōku tūrangawaewae, ā, he wheako tuawhenua, noho tāone anō hoki ōku nō reira he whānui taku tirohanga ki ngā hiahia maha o to tatou kainga.

He mema ō mua o Te Kaunihera-ā-rohe o Ruapehu, kua waia ki ngā whakahaere o te kāwanatanga ā-rohe. He pūkenga ōku ki te urungi-ki te hāpai i ōku iwi, otirā te noho ki ngā poari ā-iwi, marae, hauora, pakihi hoki. Nā konā toka ai te haepapa hei māngai mō te marea me te tajao.

Nō te rangahauraro au, ko tāku he tāpiri atu ki te tūāpapa nā te rangahaurunga i whakatakoto. E ngākaunui ana au ki te oranga o tō tātou taiao, mātua rā te maunga e karangahia ana ko Koro, me ngā ia kaha e tūhono nei i a tātou.

Kua hoki mai, kua rite, me koke whakamua.















