

2022 Elections for Whanganui District Council

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**WHANGANUI
DISTRICT COUNCIL**
Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui

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Ko wai a electionz.com? | Who are electionz.com?

- Warwick Lampp, Electoral Officer, lives in Tauranga
- Election services company based in Ōtautahi Christchurch
- 10 full time staff
- Average 200 elections in NZ each year
- Electoral Officer (EO) for 39 councils, 6 regional councils
- Carrying out vote processing for 45 councils, approx 725K returned voting papers
- Vote Processing centre in Ōtautahi Christchurch
- Electoral Officer for:
Bay of Plenty, Greater Wellington, Canterbury, Otago, Southland, West Coast
Tauranga, Rotorua, Matamata-Piako, Taupō, Waipā, Ōtorohanga, Waitomo, South
Waikato, Ruapehu, Rangītihei, Manawatū, Whanganui, Horowhenua, Napier,
Hastings, Central Hawkes Bay, Carterton, Wellington, Masterton, South Wairarapa,
Upper Hutt, Nelson, Tasman, Westland, Grey, Kaikōura, Hurunui, Waimakariri,
Selwyn, Ashburton, Mackenzie, Waimate, Waitaki, Dunedin, Central Otago, Gore,
Southland, Invercargill

Pōtitanga Kawanatanga ā Rohe
2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS
PART 1

What is local government all about?



Ngā Whakamahuki ā Ngā Pou Kaunihera

What is Local Government all about?

It's a complex business!

Underpinned by more than 125 pieces of legislation, Council is responsible for:

- Formulating the District's strategic direction in conjunction with the community through the Long Term Plan (LTP) and reporting on progress
- Determining the services and activities to be undertaken by the Council
- Managing regulations and upholding the law, including the formulation and enforcement of bylaws
- Advocating on behalf of the local community with central government, other local authorities and other agencies
- Environmental management through the District Plan
- Ensuring local communities are encouraged to be part of the decision-making processes of local government

He aha te take o ngā tāngata kaunihera? **What is being an elected member all about?**

IT IS A BIG DEAL!

- Standing for Council takes a strong commitment, it is not a “5-minute job”
- Not to be taken lightly, it is an important responsibility
- Represent and lead the District – eyes and ears
- Advocacy and governance
- Skill set in Candidate Handbook – pages 8 to 10

Pārongo mahi | **Job description**

- Represent interests of Council and the Community
- Formulate strategic direction and priorities
- Determine expenditure and funding
- Monitor performance
- Develop and oversee policy
- Ensure prudent use of council resources
- Employ and monitor the Chief Executive (CE) only

Whanonga pono nga tikanga | **Core competencies**

- Genuine interest for issues faced by local communities
- Relate to wide range of people – strong people skills
- Competent listening and public speaking skills
- Express ideas clearly and be results focussed
- Understand, analyse and resolve complex issues
- Understand governance versus management
- Councillors think “District-wide” on issues
- Commit to Elected Members’ Code of Conduct

Te Kaunihera | Council meetings

- Formal meetings are generally held at 1pm on Tuesdays
- Workshops are generally held on Wednesdays
- 10 Council meetings, 6-8 Community Board meetings
- Generally Mayor is full time job, Councillor is approx 20 hours per week and Community Board 5 hours per week
- Lots of research, reading of reports and agendas
- Flexible working hours – evening and weekend work required

Utu ā-tau | Remuneration

For 2021/22 year:

- Mayor \$141,000 pa
- Deputy Mayor \$50,631 pa
- Committee Chairpersons from \$46,737 pa
- Advisory Group Chairs (2) \$42,842 pa
- Deputy Chair (3) \$42,842 pa

- Councillor with no other responsibilities \$38,947 pa

- Whanganui Rural CB Chair \$11,392 pa
- Whanganui Rural CB Member \$5,696 pa

- Paid fortnightly

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PART 2

2022 Election details



Ngā Tūranga me ngā Kawenga Āphia Pōti Matua

Electoral Officer Role and Responsibilities

- The Electoral Officer (EO) is solely responsible for the conduct of the election
- The EO is not subject to the directions of any local authority, elected members, or the Chief Executive (CE)
- Provides a level playing field for all candidates
- **NB** Not responsible for monitoring campaigning by candidates. Only deals with alleged breaches of the Act by passing them to the Police.

Wātakea Pōti | Election Timetable

Election Period starts	8 July (Friday)
Nominations open	15 July (Friday)
Electoral signs can go up	8 August (Saturday – 2 months prior)
Nominations close	12 noon, 12 August (Friday)
Delivery of voting papers	16 – 21 September (Friday - Wednesday)
Special voting period	16 September to 8 October
Close of voting	12 noon, 8 October (Saturday)
Progress results available	8 October, approx 3pm
Removal of election signs	9 October (Sunday)
Official declaration likely to be	13 October (Thursday)
Candidate expenses deadline	8 December (Thursday)

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PART 3

The nomination process



Ngā Take Pōti | Nominations will be called for:

Koromatua | **Mayor**

Kaikaunihera | **Councillors** - 12 councillors elected At Large

Mema Poari Hapori | **Community Board Members** - 7 members

- Kai Iwi subdivision 3 members
- Kaitoke subdivision 2 members
- Whanganui subdivision 2 members

Horizons Regional Council

- Whanganui General Constituency 2 members
- Raki Māori Constituency 1 member

All candidate names will be listed in **random** order by surname

Whakaaringa | Nomination Process

Nomination Period – 4 weeks

- Nominations open Friday 15 July
- Nominations close at midday Friday 12 August

All nomination documents **must** be submitted together

- Nomination paper, profile statement, photo, evidence of \$200 deposit
- Must provide **evidence of NZ Citizenship** (passport, birth certificate)
- Must come to WDC office if in person, can be scanned and emailed to the DEO
- Must submit all nomination documents together, not piecemeal
- Will accept online banking of deposits – evidence required
- Cheques will **not** be accepted
- Nomination paper includes warning for candidates to be aware that contact details will be public info
- Can use commonly used name on voting papers – but no titles
- Party affiliations – cannot be offensive, confusing, or too long

Whakaaringa | Nomination Process (continued)

Candidate **must** state if standing in any other elections

- Mayor, Ward, Community Board, LTs, other TAs?
- **Is shown at top of profile statement**
- Is not included in the 150 words
- Applies to standing anywhere in Aotearoa New Zealand
- Must update earlier nomination form if not included
- **Nomination paper is a public document, open for inspection**

Candidate **must** state if reside in area of election or not

- My principal place of residence **is WITHIN / is NOT WITHIN** the area
- **Is shown at the top of the profile statement**
- Is not included in the 150 words

Other elections

- HRC nominations to HRC office, Victoria Street, Palmerston North

Pepa Pōti | Voting Paper

LOCAL ELECTIONS 2016

The Electoral Officer
Tauranga City Council
Private Bag 770114
Orchard Road
Christchurch 8154

You can vote in up to 5 elections using this voting document

Tauranga City Council

- ▶ Mayor
- ▶ At Large
- ▶ Mount Maunganui-Papamoa Ward

Bay of Plenty Regional Council (Tauranga General Constituency)

Bay of Plenty District Health Board

How to vote

Please read the instructions carefully.

There are two types of electoral system used for these elections

- ☒ the **FIRST PAST THE POST** system where you tick candidate names
- ☐ the **SINGLE TRANSFERABLE VOTING** system where you rank the candidates using numbers

If you make a mistake that you can't correct clearly, contact the electoral officer and ask for a new voting document.

The candidates' surnames may not be in alphabetical order for all elections.

Warning - it is an offence under the Local Electoral Act to interfere in any way with any person who is about to vote with the intention

Tauranga City Council ELECTING THE MAYOR



FPP - THIS IS A FIRST PAST THE POST ELECTION

Tick ☒ the circle next to **one (1)** candidate you want to vote for.

The candidate names are listed randomly for this election.

BALDOCK, Larry
(More Democracy Less Bureaucracy)



101

BROWNLESS, Greg
(Independent)



102

CLOUT, Kelvin
(Energy and Experience)



103

GUY, Murray
(Community Focused Leadership)



104

LEAMING, Hori BOP



105

MASON, Max
(Experienced Positive Leadership)



106

MORRIS, Steve
(Together we can build a better city)



107

OWENS, Doug
(Effectiveness, Efficiency, Growth)



108

PETERSON, Noel James
(Independent)



109

PURCHES, Graeme
(Independent)



110

ROBSON, John
(Real Change in TCC - Guaranteed)



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KOROMATUA | MAYOR
PUKA TONO | NOMINATION FORM
WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL | 2022 ELECTIONS



A TE ROHE PŌTI | ELECTION AREA

I wish to stand for election as **Mayor** of the Whanganui District.

My principal place of residence (tick ONE circle): ☐ is **WITHIN** the Whanganui District Council election area ☐ is **NOT WITHIN** the Whanganui District Council election area

B MĀ TE KAITONO | CANDIDATE TO FILL OUT after reading important information on reverse

I (candidate's full name),

accept the nomination and confirm that I have read and understand the **Eligibility and Candidacy** notes on the reverse of this form and certify that I am qualified to be a candidate under section 25 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and regulations and that I am not disqualified under section 58 of the Local Electoral Act 2001. In particular, I am a New Zealand citizen and a parliamentary elector.

Address

(as listed on the parliamentary roll):

Email (Preferred communication option for Electoral Officer):

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

☐ I understand that the details provided on this nomination paper will be publicly available for election purposes.

Please advise the Electoral Officer at the time of lodging your nomination if there are contact details that you would not like to be published.

Note: Section 55(5) of the Local Electoral Act 2001 requires that this nomination form be available for public inspection at the Whanganui District Council office, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui. Please note that candidate and nominator details provided on this form may also be made available from the Whanganui District Council website.

I am also standing for the following elections:

I wish my name to be shown on the voting document as:

I wish to use the following affiliation: (To be left blank if the candidate does not wish to use any party/group affiliation. A candidate with no affiliation may request that 'independent' be shown. Maximum affiliation length is 38 characters (including any spaces between words)).

Signature:

Date:

C MĀ TE KAITAUTOKO | NOMINATORS TO FILL OUT

We, the undersigned electors of the Whanganui District Council election area hereby nominate (candidate's full name):

with his/her consent, as a candidate for the office of **Mayor** of Whanganui District Council, the election for which is to be held on 8 October 2022.

Full name of **First Nominator**:

Address:

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

Signature of First Nominator:

Date:

Full name of **Second Nominator**:

Address:

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

Signature of Second Nominator:

Date:

ELIGIBILITY & CANDIDACY NOTES

- Candidates for this position do not need to live within the Whanganui District Council election area, but must be a New Zealand citizen and enrolled as a NZ parliamentary elector.
- Both nominators **must** be enrolled as electors of the Whanganui District Council.
- No person can be elected to a local authority if he/she is concerned or interested in contracts over \$25,000 with that local authority. This restriction is waived if **prior** approval from the office of the Controller and Auditor-General is obtained (section 3(1) Local Authorities (Members' interests) Act 1968).
- A candidate may stand for either the regional council or city/district council/community board in the regional council's district, but not both (section 58 LEA).
- A candidate **cannot** nominate themselves for office.
- A candidate may under section 56 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 (LEA) be nominated under a name which the candidate is commonly known provided that the name will not: cause offence to a reasonable person; be unreasonably long; include or resemble an official rank or title; cause confusion or mislead electors (section 56 LEA).
- Where no affiliation is claimed, or an affiliation is disallowed by the Electoral Officer under section 57 of the LEA, nothing will be shown in the public notice or the voting paper against the candidate's name. A candidate with no affiliation may request that 'independent' be shown.
- Under section 121 of the LEA, any person is liable to a fine of up to \$2,000 who:
 - (a) Knowing themselves to be ineligible for election, consents to being nominated for election; or
 - (b) Nominates any person as a candidate whom he/she knows to be ineligible for election; or
 - (c) Not being the candidate signs any nomination paper knowing that they are not qualified to vote at the election.
- Each nomination must be accompanied by the required deposit of \$200.00 (inclusive of GST) or proof of an electronic deposit.
- Evidence of NZ citizenship is required at the time of candidate nomination. Acceptable evidence includes a copy of a NZ passport, NZ birth certificate or NZ citizenship documentation.
- Nominations of candidates **must** be in the hands of the Electoral Officer, Whanganui District Council, before 12 noon on Friday 12 August 2022.
- An employee of a local authority may stand for election as mayor or councillor of that local authority, but if elected, must resign as an employee of the local authority before taking office. This provision does not apply to employees of a local authority elected to a community or local board.

RETURN, PAYMENT AND REFUND DETAILS

I submit with this nomination (please tick appropriate circles): ☐ Evidence of NZ citizenship ☐ Evidence of deposit (\$200) ☐ Photo ☐ Profile statement

I understand that, in not providing a profile or photo, the words "Profile/Photo not supplied" will appear below my name in the profile booklet that will be sent out with the voting paper. **All nomination documents must be submitted at the same time.**

Deliver to: Whanganui District Council office, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui

or, scan and email to: elections@whanganui.govt.nz

Contact the Deputy Electoral Officer on 0272 363 866 if the above delivery options are not practical for you.

Payments can be made by **cash** or **eftpos** directly at the Whanganui District Council office, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui, if you are returning this form by hand or by **online banking** using the details provided below:

Account name: Whanganui District Council Bank: TBC
Account number: TBC Particulars/Reference: ELECTION
Code: (Your initials and surname)

Refunds of nomination deposits (where eligible) will be made by online deposit into a bank account. Please list below the bank account to use for your refund.

Account name:

Account number:

Nominations must be in the hands of the Electoral Officer before 12 noon on Friday 12 August 2022

All nomination documents **must** be submitted at the same time. For assistance phone the tollfree helpline: 0800 666 048

ELECTORAL OFFICIAL to fill out

Received at the hour of: on the day of 20
Candidate Roll #:
First Nominator Roll #: Second Nominator Roll #:
Nomination documents approved: ☐ Nomination paper ☐ Deposit/proof of deposit ☐ Place of residence ☐ Photo ☐ Profile statement ☐ Proof of NZ citizenship ☐ Standing for other elections
Signature of Electoral Official: Date:

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(please tick appropriate circles):

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Evidence of
NZ citizenship

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Evidence of
deposit (\$200)

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Photo

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Profile
statement

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Te Paearu Kaitono | Candidate Qualifications

MUST BE:

- A New Zealand citizen (required to provide evidence)
- Enrolled on the parliamentary electoral roll (in NZ)
- Nominator and seconder on the roll in the area

CANNOT:

- Be serving a prison sentence of three or more years
- Stand for Horizons Regional Council and Whanganui District Council
- Have interest in a contract over \$25K per year with Council

CAN STAND:

- For both Mayor and Councillor and Community Board
- If a council employee, but must resign if elected as Mayor or Councillor (not Community Board)
- If you live outside area, but must state that on nomination paper

Te Maunu Kaitono | **Candidate Withdrawals**

- A candidate cannot strategically or politically withdraw after nominations have closed
- Same as for parliamentary elections, i.e., death or incapacity only
- Medical certificate required – deposit refunded
- Withdrawal application can be made by candidate or their agent

Ngā Kōrero whaitake a te Kaitono

Candidate Profile Statements and Photos

Profiles

- **May** be provided (not mandatory) – see page 18 of Candidate Handbook
- Must be provided electronically with the other nomination documents as an MS Word doc, not a pdf, not hand-written
- Up to **150** words about the candidate, their policies and intentions
- Cannot comment on policies etc. of any other candidate
- Can be emailed to the DEO but hard copies must be attached to nomination paper, **i.e., all docs submitted together**
- EO not required to verify or investigate any information included in profile
- Profiles on Council website as soon as ready after close of nominations
- Candidate contact details on Council website after close of nominations

Photos

- Photos in **colour, within last 12 months**, head and shoulders shot only (no hats, sunglasses, children, pets or friends)
- Photos provided as jpgs, scanned at 300 dpi

Hei tauira mō te whakaritenga

Example Profile Statement

Invercargill City Council

Electing the Mayor



Warwick LAMPP

Proven. Dedicated. Real.

My principal place of residence is in the Invercargill City Council area. I am also standing for Councillor - At Large.

I want you to be involved and excited about Invercargill.

My vision is a thriving city that exceeds your expectations.

A city where you are listened to, where your contribution is valued.

A city where stuff gets done through great leadership. I get stuff done.

That's why I want to be the Mayor

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PART 4

Campaigning



Whakahaeretia | Campaigning

- Can commence any time
- Generally, no rules around campaigning or conduct, but:
 - Can't use Council resources for campaigning (logo, branding, colours, Council FB or Twitter feed, photos, Council buildings)
 - Voting papers should not be collected from electors by candidates or their assistants
 - **No campaigning or electioneering in Council Chambers or on Council premises**
- Election expenses for campaigning must be recorded and declared in a return after the election
- **Any campaign material** (signs, posters, billboards, flyers, ads, cars, social media) **must have an authorisation** from the candidate or their agent, stating their name and contact details
 - Can be address, mobile, email, PO Box
 - Must be on the front of the sign or promotional material (not the back)
- Any content of signs is subject to ASA guidelines and complaints process – must be factual
- Usual rules of defamation apply but don't complain to the EO if you don't like what someone says about you!

Pae Pāpāho Pāpori | Social Media

Beware of Social Media! During the three-month election period:

- Council's social media channels will unlike / unfollow all candidate social media channels
- Candidates must not link their own social media channels (if they are used for campaigning purposes) to the Council's social media channels, and must ensure that they have the appropriate authorisation
- **Council social media channels cannot be used for electioneering by candidates or members of the public – will be constantly monitored and strictly enforced**
- Any post - positive or negative - made by any individual specifically relating to their own or someone else's nomination, intention to run for Council or election campaign, will be removed
- Council's social media channels will remain neutral. Council will promote elections and the importance of voting but will not associate these posts with any candidates
- During the lead up to elections, the current Mayor and Councillors may be used in social media posts where it is appropriate and is considered 'business as usual' to use them.

Pae Pāpāho Pāpori | **Social Media** (continued)

This means, when with the intention of campaigning / electioneering:

- No posting on Council pages / accounts
 - No comments / replies on Council pages
 - No mentions with a tag (e.g. @WhanganuiDistrictCouncil)
 - No picture tagging
 - No rating or reviewing Council pages or posts
- e.g. you cannot electioneer on Council's channels, or piggyback on its audiences – see page 24 of the Candidate Handbook
- **It is illegal to post a photo of your completed voting on FB**
 - If using paid FB advertising, you will have to register as a politician

Ngā Tohu Pōti | Election signs

- See page 7 of the Candidate Handbook
- Election signs can go up from **Monday 8 August** and must be removed **by 11.59pm Friday 7 October**
- Must comply with Council hoardings policy re size and placement
- Can be on private land, but only for **2 months**
- NZTA rules apply for State Highways, see page 7 of the Candidate Handbook
- Vehicle signwriting is ok – cost of running a vehicle if it is own personal transport is not an election expense
- **The cost of framing for a sign is not an election expense**
- Complaints about size and placement made to Council's Enforcement Officers – not the EO or DEO
- Complaints about authorisations to the EO

Ngā Koha me Pōti | Electoral Donations

- No time limit on when donations are received, every donation has to be recorded
- You don't have to accept a donation – be careful of reason for donation
- Must be included in candidate expenditure return
- No such thing as an “anonymous” donation if you know who it has come from:
 - someone can't give a donation and ask for it to be treated anonymously
 - anonymous means you don't know who it came from, can't reasonably work it out
 - A third party who passes on a donation must disclose who the donor is
- An anonymous donation cannot be over \$1,500:
 - if it is, candidate can't keep balance over \$1,500, it must be given to EO to pass onto Council
 - a donation made up of contributions (e.g. to a Trust) is treated as one donation, and can't be over \$1,500 if anonymous
 - it is an offence to circumvent \$1,500 limit, i.e. by deliberately splitting up a donation into smaller contributions.

Ngā Pōti Utu Aukatinga | **Election Expenditure Limits**

Mayoralty \$30,000

Councillors At Large \$30,000

Whanganui Rural Community Board
– All three subdivisions \$3,500

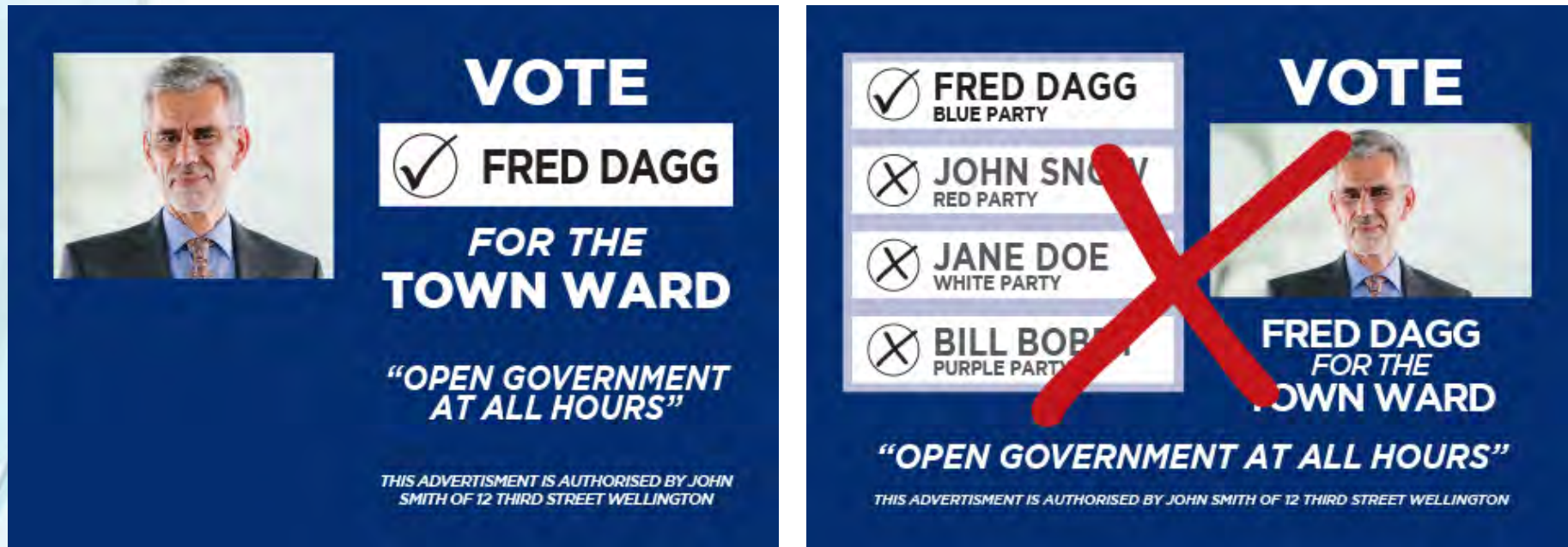
Ngā Utu Whakahaere Pōti | Election Expenses

- If standing for more than one position the higher limit applies
- The applicable period for which campaign expenditure limits apply is 3 months before election day - **8 July 2022**
- Candidates required to provide details of electoral expenses incurred before or after the applicable period to Electoral Officer – pro-rata expenses for activity outside the 3 months
- Electoral expenses and electoral donation returns required within 55 days after the official result declaration – about 8 December
- Deposit not refunded until the return is completed (provided candidate gets more than 25% of the votes of the lowest successful candidate)
- Electoral expenses and electoral donations returns are public documents
- EO must make expenses documents available on Council website for **7 years**
- See page 21 of the Candidate Handbook

Ngā Hēanga Pōtitanga | Election Offences


- See page 38 of the Candidate Handbook
- Imitation Voting Paper – *examples next slide*
- Bribery
- Treating
 - Can't provide food, alcohol, drinks, entertainment as an inducement to vote (light refreshments after a meeting is ok)
 - **Can't give away a pen, note pad, fridge magnet or item of value**
- Undue Influence – cant stand over someone telling them how to vote, or post or deliver someone else's voting paper
- Unauthorised advertisements
- Illegal nomination – e.g. candidate with a court order
- Any formal complaint passed straight to the Police

Ngā Tohu Pōti | Example of Signs



MAYOR Michael again!
FEYEN TELLS IT... LIKE IT IS!

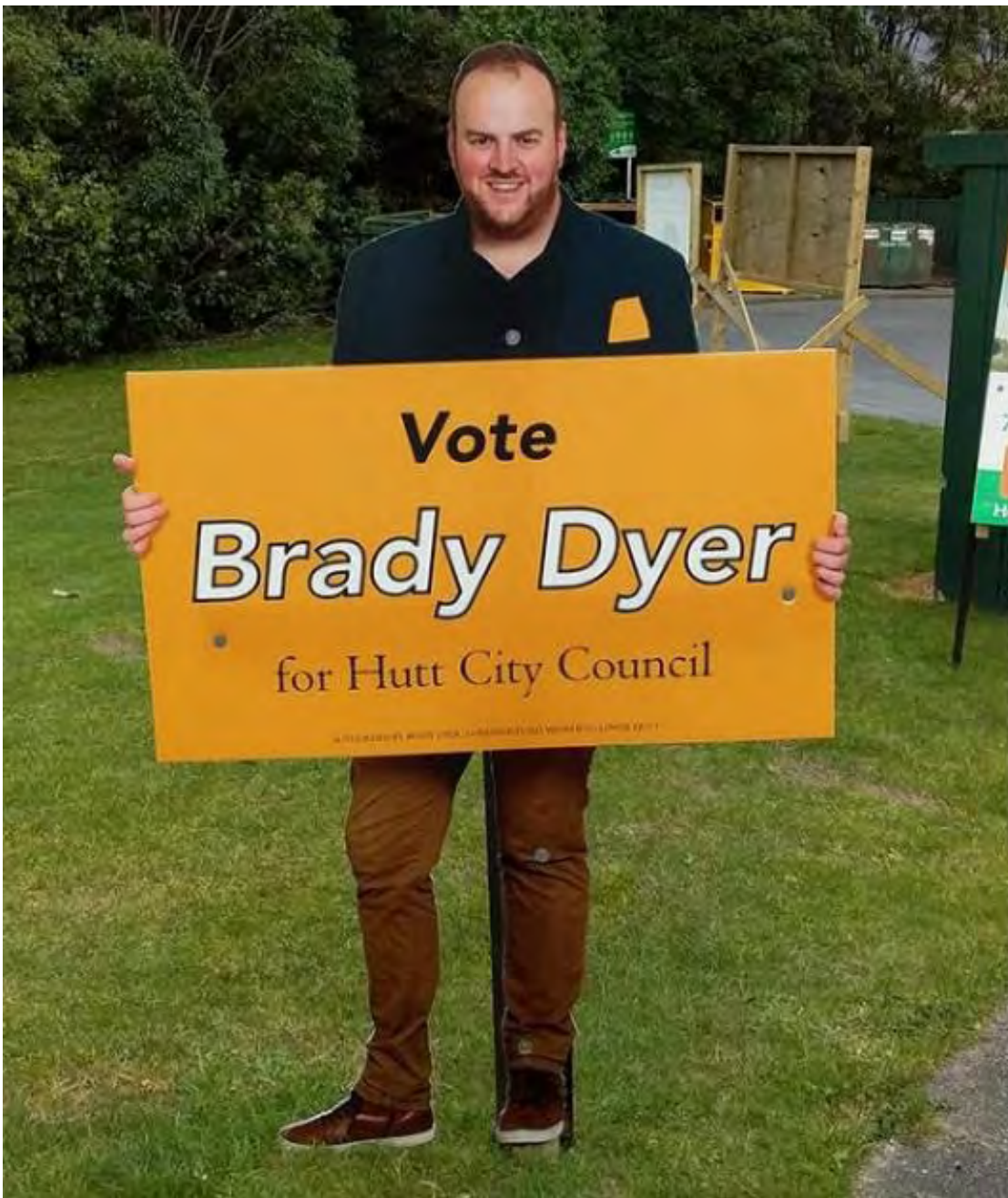
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PAY AS
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Slash the rates!

Tina Nixon

- ✓ Masterton Mayor
- ✓ Masterton Council





I'LL DO MY BEST
BUT I CAN'T
PROMISE
ANYTHING


VOTE

MARK SHEAFF
For Local Council •



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PART 5

Election process and results



Rārangi Pukapuka Pōti | **Electoral Rolls**

- **Preliminary Electoral Roll**
- available for public inspection from 15 July to 5pm Friday 12 August 2022
- at Davis and Gonville libraries and the council offices
- includes the ratepayer roll
- **Cannot** be provided electronically to candidates
- **Final Electoral Roll**
- produced following the EC update campaign
- is the roll used for issuing voting papers
- can purchase hard copy for \$100 (plus GST) for full roll or \$50 per ward

Pōti Motuhake | Special Voting

- Available for anyone who spoils, loses, or does not receive their voting paper or enrolls after 12 August
- Available for electors on the unpublished roll
- Available from 16 September to 12 noon on election day, 8 October 2022
- Available at Council office, or can be posted out
- At Council office on Saturday 8 October
- Applicants can come in or contact DEO by phone or email
- Candidates cannot collect special voting documents on behalf of electors



Otinga Pōtitanga | Election Results

Preliminary count occurs from 12 noon, Saturday 8 October 2022

Progress results: expected about 3pm – approx 90% of votes received (not special votes and votes in transit to processing centre).

Progress results:

- Will be available from Council's website
- Email to all candidates with email address
- Candidates personally rung by Council staff

Preliminary results: expected late on Sunday 9 October, after all ordinary votes have been processed

Final results: expected by Thursday 13 October, after special votes have been processed

Nau mai ki te tari | **Coming into Office**

- All members come into office on the day following the day on which the candidates are declared to be elected
- This is the day after the result declaration is posted on Council's website - expected to be Friday 18 or Saturday 19 October
- Successful candidates contacted by Mayor/staff
- Council's inaugural meeting and the "swearing in" of elected members (elected candidates cannot act until this has occurred)

Rauemi | Resources

Candidate Handbook and nomination papers

LGNZ 'Making a Stand' booklet

Council's Pre-election report – available from 29 July 2022:

- To inform the community and candidates on key aspects of Council business
- To set out major projects and expenditure for next 3 years
- To promote discussion on issues and inform any elections debate

Legislation (LEA, LER)

Council's website (for election information):

HRC Candidate Handbook and website



Kupu Whakamutunga | **Last word**

- No Online Voting
- Campaigning – anything goes
- Election results – on websites/email – progress/prelim/final
- Election day – Saturday 8 October 2022
- Good luck!!

New legislation – declaring pecuniary interests

- New obligations on elected members from 20 November 2022
- Supports increased transparency, and confidence in local government
- Similar to rules for members of Parliament
- Elected members must annually declare their pecuniary interests, including:
 - Business interests
 - Employment
 - Property
 - Gifts
- Responsibility sits with elected member, not Council