

## Voting closes: SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER, 12 MIDDAY





## 2016 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS CANDIDATE PROFILES

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#### Page 4 WHAT POSITIONS ARE UP FOR ELECTION

We hope you'll vote in all elections on your voting document – the successful candidates make decisions that affect us all every day so make sure you have your say.

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 about issues including key infrastructure (e.g water supply, sewerage, roads), local regulations, recreational facilities, parks, planning and building issues.

**Unitary Authorities** perform the functions of both City/District Councils and Regional Councils.

**The District Health Board** makes decisions every day to improve the health of people in the community – including the kinds of health services to be provided.

You may also find these positions on your voting document: Community Boards make recommendations about local issues and how Council should spend money on local services.

**Regional Councils** make decisions about managing our region – about quality of water, soil, coastal planning, plant and pest control, natural disasters – and in some cases public passenger transport.

**Licensing Trusts** exist to sell alcohol responsibly through premises in the trust area and decide how surplus profits are returned to the community.

**A Poll or Referendum** may also be on your voting document. Your vote in these helps the Council make decisions on the issues included in the poll or referendum.

#### THE CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION

- The candidates are listed under the election they are standing for.
- You can read what candidates have written about themselves and their policies in this booklet.

#### **Please note**

Although your voting document will only list the elections you are allowed to vote in, some of the candidates listed in this booklet may be standing for issues that do not apply to you.

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We can't count your vote if it arrives late, so have it to us by 12 Midday, Saturday, 8 October 2016.

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#### HE AHA NGĀ TŪRANGA E PŌTIHIA ANA

Ko te tūmanako ka põti koe i ngā põtitanga katoa i runga i tõ pepa põti – ka riro mā ngā kaitono toa ngā whakatau e pā ana ki a tātau ia rā, nō reira me mātua whai wāhi mai koe.

Ko te Koromatua te kaiārahi i te Tāonenui, Kaunihera ā-Takiwā rānei.

Ka whakarato te Tãonenui, **te Kaunihera ā-Takiwā** rānei i ngā ratonga ā-rohe whānui, whakaurunga hoki ki te hapori whānui. Ka tuku whakatau ngā Kaunihera mō ngā take pēnei i ngā hanganga matua (hei tauira, ratonga wai, pūnaha parakaingaki, rori) ngā ture ā-rohe, whakaurunga whakangahau, ngā pāka, ngā take whakamahere, waihanga hoki.

Ka whakahaerehia e ngā **Mana Kotahitanga** ngā mahinga a ngā Kaunihera Tāonenui/ā-Takiwā me ngā Kaunihera ā-Rohe.

Kei te **Poari Hauora ā-Rohe** ngā whakatau o ia rā hei whakapai ake i te hauora o ngā tāngata o te hapori – tae atu ki ngā momo ratonga hauora ka whakaratohia.

#### Ka kite anō pea koe i ēnei tūranga ki tō pepa pōtitanga:

Kei ngā **Poari Hapori** ngā tūtohutanga mõ ngā take ā-rohe, ā, me pēhea te whakapau a te Kaunihera i ana pūtea ki ngā ratonga ā-rohe.

Kei ngā **Kaunihera ā-Rohe** ngā whakatau mõ te whakahaere i tõ tātau rohe – mõ te mauri o te wai, oneone, ngā mahere takutai, te whakahaere tarukino me te kīrearea, ngā aituā taiao – i ētahi āhuatanga ngā ikiiki pāhīhī tūmatanui.

Ko te mahi a ngā **Tōpū Tuku Raihana** he hoko waipiro tika i roto i te rohe tōpū me te whakarite me pēhea te whakahoki i ngā toenga pūtea ki te hapori.

Têrā pea he **Pōti, Tāpaetanga Pōti** anō rānei kei runga i tō pepa pōti. I konei ka āwhina tō pōti i te Kaunihera ki te tuku whakatau mō ngā take i roto i te pōti, tāpaetanga pōti rānei.

#### NGĀ KAITONO E TŪ ANA MŌ TE PŌTITANGA

- Ka whakarārangihia ngā kaitono i raro i te pōtitanga e tū ana rātau.
- Ka taea e koe te pānui ngā kõrero i tuhia e ngā kaitono mõ rātau anō me ā rātau kaupapa here i roto i tēnei pukaiti.

#### Kia mōhio mai

Ahakoa ka rārangi mai i tō pepa pōti ngā pōtitanga anake ka āhei koe ki te pōti, ka tū pea ētahi o ngā kaitono i roto i tēnei puka iti mō ngā take kāore nei e hāngai ki a koe.

#### ME MĀTUA WHAKARITE KA TAEA E MĀTAU TE TATAU TŌ PŌTI

Kia tika te whakakī i tō pepa pōti

- Me mātua whai koe i ngā tohutohu.
- Māu anake tō pepa pōti i raro i te ture kāore tētahi atu e āhei ana ki te whakaoti, taruweku, tūkino rānei i te pepa a tētahi atu – engari ka taea anō e koe te tono ki tētahi atu ki te 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.

Me whakahoki mai i te wā tika

Kāore e taea e mātau te tatau tō pōti ki te tae tōmuri mai, nō reira me tae mai i mua o te 12 karaka i te ahiahi, Rāhoroi, 8 Whiringa-ā-nuku 2016.

Kaua e whakaurua mai te pepa pôti a têtahi atu ki roto i tô kôpaki.
Me waea mai mô ngã āwhina

• Ki te kore koe e tino mārama me aha koe, waea atu ki te nama Tari Põtitanga kei runga i tõ pepa põti.

Ki te kore koe e hiahia pōti, me tūkino tō pepa pōti.

#### Page 6 Rangitikei District Council Mayor Electing the Mayor



## George LONDON

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Rangitikei District Council area. I am also standing for Rangitikei District Council - Marton Ward.

The Council needs a strong leader as Mayor. I will show you my strength as that leader. I see a chance to progress things in the Rangitikei

achieving the economic stability we need at the same time maintaining the things we value. I have been a leader and chairman of many projects. Among my credentials is my volunteer work for St Johns, driving the shuttle, plus I am Chairman of the Marton Community Patrol. In June my community sevice was recognised, I was awarded a Queen's Service Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours. According to my friends my best characteristics are my integrity and enthusiasm and willingness to put myself out for others. I think my best attributes as Mayor would be my ability to listen to people and to take their views to Council to ensure Council makes the right decision for the community.



#### **Robert SNIJDERS**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Rangitikei District Council area. I am also standing for Rangitikei District Council - Marton Ward.

I have a professional background in Civil Engineering, Urban Regeneration, working with councils, private enterprise, developing and

delivering construction solutions and business development. This requires the ability to communicate and work well with other professionals and the public.

Following a rewarding career overseas, having been born and bred in the Waikato, my wife and I have chosen to move to the district.

We elected Marton as we not only like the area but it is also centrally located within the north island. The town and district has so much to offer.

In our relatively short time here, we have been overwhelmed by the warm welcome and hospitality. At the same time we are aware of the underlying issues affecting the town and surrounding district.

I believe we have a huge opportunity to really put Marton and the district on the map, let me help you do that.

Rangitikei District Council Mayor Electing the Mayor



#### Andy WATSON

My principal place of residence is in the Rangitikei District Council area.

I am seeking re-election as your Rangitikei Mayor because there are major projects I wish to see completed, including important construction programs in each main town. When I stood for

Mayor I said I wanted to support economic direction and be the face of Council throughout the district.

I am confident that I have achieved that and that we can build on the policies that have been put in place, the regional growth initiatives, and the relationships developed with businesses to further progress growth.

I have lead a Council over the last 3 years that has kept rates increases lower than our neighbouring Councils. I have lobbied Central Government, successfully gaining us millions of dollars for our roading budget.

I have enjoyed being your Mayor and I would like to thank those who have supported Beth and me, and I would be honoured to continue as your Mayor.

#### Page 8 Rangitikei District Council Taihape Ward Electing 3 Councillors



### **Richard ASLETT**

My principal place of residence is in the Taihape Ward area.

Serving two innovative terms as Taihape Ward Councillor and previously chairing the Taihape Community Board, following much encouragement I seek re-election to Council in

2016. Lalso chair the Rangitikei Heritage Group, which produced the Rangitikei Remembers WW1 DVD. Long serving member of Rangitikei.com District Promotions: Rest home reestablishment supporter. Performing member of Taihape Musicians Club. I have worked with local youth on Rangitikei's Got Talent, Birds-on-Signs, and additional projects, recently receiving a Regional Volunteer's Award. Owner of Mangaweka Yellow Church Gallery on SH1. Contract electric meter-reader which takes me all-around and beyond the Rangitikei. These roles deliver extensive understanding of what the important issues are, both locally and districtwide. My experience and demonstrated commitment, combined with progressive future vision provides a knowledgeable, reliable, foundation. I am eager to continue working for the people of Taihape and Rangitikei. I thank you for your generous support, and kindly request your vote.



#### Angus GORDON

My principal place of residence is in the Taihape Ward area.

I am a 52 year old farmer residing at Winiata, 3 km south of Taihape. I was formerly a member of the Taihape Community Board for two terms, and a Taihape Ward councilor for the past 3 year

term. I wish to be re-elected to represent the ratepayers of the Taihape Ward and the District as a whole. I have a particular interest in efficient and thorough asset management, (roading, water, sewerage and storm water) as these areas consume the majority of our rates revenue. In the past term I was a member of the Assets and Policy committees, a co-opted member of the Taihape Community Board, Erewhon water scheme committee and a member of the of the review group looking into the current shared service staffing arrangements with Manawatu District Council. My goal is to see greater transparency in the reporting of capital asset performance. Rangitikei District Council Taihape Ward Electing 3 Councillors



#### **Etain MCDONNELL**

My principal place of residence is in the Taihape Ward area.

Taihape resident since 2007. 'A great place to raise a family' While managing the Birds on Signs Project Taihape, I glimpsed the wide range of hidden

talent in our community. Our rivers, parks, walkways and scenic views offer great venues for innovative activities and events to celebrate our uniqueness and promote existing business. Through multimedia and communication I will highlight Taihape's assets so we are a 'Destination Town.' I support local solutions. I will fight to retain existing services; pay attention to youth recreation areas, facilities and resources for elderly, rural transport, tourist amenities; plus promote investment opportunities in the Taihape Ward; encourage community growth, property development and construction, including ensuring supply of good rental accommodation. My skill set; BA Political Studies, Auckland University. I have worked in Tourism, Education, Media and Development. Key skill: Bringing diverse groups together to find common ground and move forward.



#### **Ruth RAINEY**

My principal place of residence is in the Taihape Ward area.

Residing in the Kawhatau Valley, Mangaweka, my husband Jim and I are farmers and also run a couple of small tourism businesses. We have four adult children.

I have almost completed my first term as a RDC Councillor and I would like to do another. I have a good understanding of the issues facing the rural communities and the wider district economy.

My priority has always been to be vigilant around Council spending-is it necessary, is it core Council business, are we adequately maintaining important infrastructure and providing appropriate services. In this coming year rate rises are set at around 2%. I believe we have a fiscally judicious Council, CEO and Finance Group Manager.

I believe I still have the skills to make considered and prudent decisions and that my straight-forward, sincere manner, and past three years of experience, would continue to be beneficial at the Council table. Page 10 Rangitikei District Council Bulls Ward Electing 2 Councillors



#### Jane DUNN

My principal place of residence is in the Bulls Ward area.

My name is Jane Dunn and I have lived in or near Bulls for over thirty years. My husband and I brought up our family of boys here and now have grandchildren being raised in Bulls. As a qualified

hairdresser, I own and operate a Mobile Hairdressing business that services clients in Bulls, Marton and surrounding areas. For the last three years I've been part of the Bulls Community Committee and found I've enjoyed being involved in this kind of community work and feel I have been able to make a positive contribution to our community.

I would now like to take it a step further and have the honour to represent Bulls as a Bulls Ward Councillor. Bulls is a great place to live and it would be a privilege to be involved in helping it to continue to grow and prosper - for all our residents to enjoy.



#### Tim HARRIS

My principal place of residence is in the Bulls Ward area.

I have lived in Bulls for over 50 years farming in the lower Parewanui. I operate a cropping and stock trading farm near Scotts Ferry. I am married to Sarah and have 3 children. Amanda 14 and

Eddie and Jono 12.

I am standing for Council as I am passionate about the Rangitikei District and Bulls community and believe we need some stability and strong governance from the Bulls Ward. I believe the Bulls Ward must work together to: encourage economic growth, avoid unnecessary rate rises, encourage new business and families into our district.

We have affordable housing in Bulls, let's promote our town to new business and new families. Let's keep away from Council debt through tight fiscal management.

The future for our children is in the action we take from today.

Rangitikei District Council Bulls Ward Electing 2 Councillors



#### **Rebecca MCNEIL**

My principal place of residence is in the Bulls Ward area.

I am seeking re-election to represent the Bulls Ward. I am a local business owner, military wife and mother of three. I have compared my last three years term to an apprenticeship in local

government. I am resolute getting the district and council online is important and we need to be a leader in promoting a digital culture and not lagging behind like we currently are. If we prioritise this, we will see success across business and the community. There has been focus on economic development and creating plans for the preservation of our communities, we now need to be making future proof economically sound decisions and follow through on this investment. Being younger, I will see both the completion of projects in the future and the rates cost that come with it. I also bring new ideas, a different prospective and wealth of knowledge to the council table.



#### Graeme PLATT

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

I believe that I am very well qualified to represent the people of the Bulls Ward at the Rangitikei District Council.

I have owned the Bulls Pharmacy for 45 years and have served two terms on the old Bulls Town Council, The Bulls and District Enterprise Committee for over 20 years and the Bulls School Committee for two years.

My wider experience includes membership on several company Boards and the Board of the Pharmacy Guild of NZ. I occupied the Board position at the Pharmacy Guild for nine years and am at present a Board member of Canterbury Drug Company Ltd which is a wholesale distributor of medicines supplying medicines to around 200 Pharmacies.

I have always taken a very keen interest in the impact of Council decisions on Bulls and if elected believe that I will be a strong voice for Bulls.

Page 12 Rangitikei District Council Marton Ward Electing 4 Councillors



### Cath ASH

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

I have enjoyed being your councillor for the last 3 years and look forward to the opportunity to continue to be your voice in Council.

In my role as Town Coordinator I am fortunate to fully understand the depth of our community's aspirations, and needs

As a Councillor I would continue to be an active part of the solution for our future, through advocating for Council to be economically and environmentally sustainable and responsible. I passionately believe in this town and district. I see the potential and the challenges we face and actively work to implement strategies that address both.

Given the opportunity I will continue to work towards: Developing Better Rates Efficiency. Supporting Business Development. Encouraging Resilient Connected Communities. Engaging with the Community. Ensuring easily accessible and transparent information. Creating a sustainable future. Advocating for better services.

Your vote of support will be a valued investment in our community.



#### **Carolyn BATES**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

I moved to Marton with husband Alan, in November 2013. I am secretary and vice-chair of the Marton Community Committee, plus I'm involved in the Arts and Crafts Centre, Red Cross

involved in the Arts and Crafts Centre, Red Cross Rangitikei and also Get 'n Give.

Local issues which concern me are: Improving communication from Council, Civil Defence matters plus the impact of rates and other charges is also something I feel should be addressed. During the last three years I have assisted with the monthly Council Information Table in Marton, as well as attending and participating in meetings at both Horizons Regional and Rangitikei District Councils.

My background is in administration and finance as well as adult education. Originally from England, I've worked in Europe, Australia, Brazil and New Zealand since 1989.

If you have any questions email me via

CarolynForRDC@gmail.com or call 021-342-524.

Rangitikei District Council Marton Ward Electing 4 Councillors



#### Nigel BELSHAM

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

I am married to Leighann and we have 2 daughters, Alexandra and Olivia.

I am part owner and have operated BJW Motors Ltd in Marton for over 20 years.

Having lived in Marton for over 30 years, this has given me the opportunity to be involved with a number of local organizations and sports clubs.

My governance experience includes Boards of Trustees, Motor Trade Association, Marton Justices of the Peace and Sport Wanganui.

My current community involvement includes being a member of Marton Rotary Club and also a Justice of the Peace.

I have worked hard over the past 3 years representing the Marton Ward as your voice on Council. I know that if I were reelected, I would continue to be a strong advocate for ALL of our community.

I am passionate about seeing Marton and the Rangitikei District thrive and would love to have your support.



#### Steve COSTELLOE

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

My name is Steve Costelloe I have been living in the District for 15 years. For 6 years I worked for the RDC responsible for building control, resource management, animal control, food and liquor

licensing, bylaws, rural fire and civil defence. During my time working for Council I endeavoured to reduce the impact and cost of compliance. I put forward the establishment of a food premises grading system and the exemption of pole sheds etc from consent requirements as examples of my pragmatic community minded approach. RDC's financial involvements with neighbouring councils seriously concern me and believe, based on evidence, that RDC's ratepayers have been a cash cow for the Manawatu -this has to stop.

I would welcome the opportunity to put my extensive local government skills and knowledge to work for the benefit of Marton and can assure you of a cost focussed, community minded pragmatic approach. Thank you. Page 14 Rangitikei District Council Marton Ward Electing 4 Councillors



#### Anne GEORGE

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

I've lived in Marton for 40 years and during that time I have gained local knowledge regarding the people, businesses and organizations in the area. I am currently chairperson of the Marton

Community Committee and have been instrumental in the improvements of the Wilson Park Playground and having toilets opened.

I am also a pro-active member of the Marton Placemaking Team.

My most successful venture is the Country Music Festival which I have organized since its inception. It has bought recognition of Marton, both nationally and internationally.

I support the Council's forward looking policies. I believe they are obtainable and sustainable. Although I don't cope well with 'hurry up and wait' I do accept that good things take time. I'm standing for Council to ensure that good things continue to happen, whether it's improving drains and roads or revamping the town and parks.



#### George LONDON

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area. I am also standing for Mayor of Rangitikei District Council.

I have lived in Marton for 16 years and have loved every minute. My wife and I have brought up a family here and also fostered children. We help in

the community whenever and wherever there is a need. Among my credentials is my volunteer work for St John, driving the shuttle, plus I'm chairman of the Marton Community Patrol. In June I was awarded a Queen's Sevice Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours for serving the community of Marton. I see being elected to Council as the next way I could serve the community I love. I will bring new energy and fresh ideas to the table and I have the sticking power to work with the Council staff to get things done there is so much that can be achieved. I am passionate about listening to the people and representing their views. That is the most important thing. Rangitikei District Council Marton Ward Electing 4 Councillors



#### Lynne SHERIDAN

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

I have represented our Marton Ward on Council for the last 15 years.

I am also currently a member of the Marton

Community Committee, Tutaenui Flood Control

Scheme Committee and a member of the Rangitikei Field Horsetail Group.

Ensuring good communication between the Council and all of our communities we serve is important to me. To be effective, communication should be inclusive. I want you to share your views and ideas. They will help us to make strong, sustainable and vibrant communities that will support the growth of our District.

I want to be involved in the future of the Rangitikei District.

#### **Robert SNIJDERS**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area. I am also standing for Mayor of Rangitikei District Council.

I have a professional background in Civil Engineering, Urban Regeneration, working with councils, private enterprise, developing and

delivering construction solutions and business development. This requires the ability to communicate and work well with other professionals and the public.

Following a rewarding career overseas, having been born and bred in the Waikato, my wife and I have chosen to move to the district.

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#### **Brendon WILLIAMS**

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

I am in a Farming Partnership in its 3' generation farming in this district. The farm consists of cropping and stock finishing. I live with my wife, Rachel, and 2 children. Both children are

educated in local schools. I was educated in the Rangitikei and have lived in the district for the past 42 years.

I am actively involved in The Marton Jaycees service club, and also active in fundraising for local schools over the past few years.

I am running for Council because I feel that the rural and urban communities need to still connect together, I think that my voice for the rural community will be heard but still maintaining the strength of the Marton Township is crucial.

I am an approachable person so feel free to contact me at any time.



#### Dave WILSON

My principal place of residence is in the Marton Ward area.

As a long term resident, ratepayer, business owner/employer, and person who is passionate about Marton and wider Rangitikei Community, I put my name forward to represent the Marton

Ward as District Councillor for the 2016 elections. I've lived and worked in Marton all my life and seen many changes in our community, some good, some not so good. I am, and have been, involved in a wide range of community projects through membership with Marton Rotary and Marton Jaycee, as well as recently formed community groups. I believe the link between these groups and the RDC, and other groups, is a vital part of the strength and future growth of our community, a community I want to represent, speak for, and be part of.

With my work, business, and community experience I clearly understand the role and governance required to be an 'Effective Councillor' for the Marton Ward and Rangitikei. Rangitikei District Council Ratana Community Board Electing 4 Board Members

#### Charlie METE

Photo Not Supplied My principal place of residence is in the Ratana Community Board area. No Statement Provided.

#### **Stephen NELSON**

Photo Not Supplied My principal place of residence is in the Ratana Community Board area. No Statement Provided.

#### Nadine RAWHITI

Photo Not Supplied My principal place of residence is in the Ratana Community Board area. No Statement Provided.

#### **Charlie ROURANGI**

Photo<br/>NotMy principal place of residence is in the Ratana<br/>Community Board area.SuppliedI was raised in Ratana and left to make a life for<br/>myself some 40 years ago. My background and

experience is in the area of maintenance including carpentry and machinery operations such as cranes and bulldozers.

Since being home I have worked behind the scenes helping as a volunteer with repairs on the Manuao, mowing lawns, general caretaking and maintenance work. I've come home to stay permanently and enjoy working around our Community.

Page 18 Rangitikei District Council Ratana Community Board Electing 4 Board Members

#### Thomas TATAURANGI

Photo	My principal place of residence is in the Ratana Community Board area.
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#### Maata Kare THOMPSON

Photo Not Supplied	My principal place of residence is in the Ratana Community Board area.
	I am re-standing for the Ratana Community Board. Over the past three years I have worked
	alongside an enthusiastic team of Community Board members in the position of Chairperson, so
	board members in the position of charperson, so

I would like to thank each of them for a successful term. Our focus was to make improvements for the Health and Safety of our Tamariki/Mokopuna, and I am confident we have achieved this.

I feel, however, that our work is incomplete and I would like to see all current projects to fruition if I am re-elected.

I am currently employed by Tutaramoana Te Kohanga Reo in Gonville, Whanganui, a position I have held for almost 30 years. I have seven sisters and three brothers who were all brought up in the Pa like myself. We are a close family, so I am representing us all in the memories of our Grandparents and Parents who brought us to Ratana.

Kia whai kororia ki a Ihoa o nga Mano Matua Tama Wairua Tapu me nga Anahera Pono Ma Te Mangai hei tautoko mai, Aianei, Ake nei Ae. Tena Tatou e Te Iwi, Ko Maata Kare Thompson taku ingoa.

#### Hawke's Bay Regional Council Ngaruroro Constituency Electing 1 Councillor



#### Peter BEAVEN

My principal place of residence is not in the Ngaruroro Constituency area.

Peter is the current Ngaruroro Ward Councillor standing for re-election. He is a long term resident of Hawkes Bay and was previously Chief Executive of Pipfruit NZ. Prior to this he was an

orchardist in Twyford. He is a Pipfruit NZ Board Member and past President of World Apple and Pear Association. He has an LLB(Hons) and has considerable governance experience.

Key issues for the next three years are:

Delivering a Plan Change for the Heretaunga Plains that balances environmental and production needs along with river and aquifer health.

Develop a long term strategy to address the impact of global warming and sea level rise on our coastline.

In the wake of Ruataniwha, work with my fellow Councillors to restore good working relationships, transparency and trust between the HBRC and our community.



#### Dan ROSS

My principal place of residence is in the Ngaruroro Constituency area.

I am passionate about Hawke's Bay and the preservation of the area's resources. I take a real interest in our Community and its needs so I want to see further improvements in the amenities and

the resources of the Hawke's Bay region promoting a fair and robust consultative process.

I am committed to working towards transparency in the Councils operations and seeing that it is more responsive to the core needs of our Community. I would like to ensure that the new Council and its members are governed by the Interests of many, not a few.

Together we can be a thriving region, which values superb environment both rural and coastal while building on our Unique Heritage.

I am determined to work to ensure the Council is accountable to ratepayers by being a strong, clear and independent voice.

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#### Graham ADAMS

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

I was previously a member of the board at the time of the rebuild of the acute services and theatre block at Whanganui Hospital in 2004 and am now keen to represent the community again.

Currently, I am a board member of Age Concern Wanganui, treasurer of Grey Power Wanganui, treasurer of the New Zealand Council of Elders, and a trustee for 30 years of the Akoranga Education Trust which will soon recommence making grants to UCOL students. I am also Chairman of the Ratepayers Association which position I intend relinquishing at the 2017 annual general meeting.

The retirement of long serving board members Kate Joblin and Alan Anderson reduces significantly the knowledge base of the board. I am confident of being able to rapidly get to grips with present day procedures and processes and be an effective contributing member in short order.

Thank you for your support.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the Whanganui District Health Board, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Charlie ANDERSON**

#### Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Councillor of Whanganui District.

In the 1970's there were no dedicated rescue helicopters or fixed wing air ambulances, Charlie was a helicopter pilot in these times and with 30

years experience he has been part of an incredible growth in air ambulance and rescue services in NZ. He was awarded the Queens Service Medal in 1996 for his rescues and life saving flights. He is currently C.E.O for Air Wanganui Commuter which carries out approx 500 air ambulance flights a year. With his Commitment to ongoing development of aero medical support and his passion for Wanganui, not only for the air ambulance service in Wanganui, but all medical facilities, he is very worried that with the stroke of a pen the powers that be can destroy whatever they so choose, the near miss with our maternity ward at Wanganui just one example.

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#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I believe I may have a conflict of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board.

I am a senior member of Air Wanganui Commuter Ltd, which is contracted to supply air ambulance services to the WDHB. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the Whanganui District Health Board.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.

#### Philippa BAKER-HOGAN



Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Councillor of Whanganui District.

Our Health Board is the most crucial business in our District; our biggest employer and we will all need its services at some time.

I'm a qualified radiographer with twenty years' experience in hospitals, including Whanganui. I've served a decade on your Health Board and stand again as I'm concerned there is a lack of courageous, experienced elected members to balance the Minister of Health's appointments.

The new Board faces massive challenges, needing to balance our community's need for a well serviced hospital, yet support improved health outcomes to keep people out of hospital. I won't let major service changes, like maternity care happen behind closed doors, like recently occurred.

We must progress inequalities in Maori Health outcomes, reduce Smoking, improve Dental and Mental Health outcomes and support quality aged care.

I've held many leadership positions on the Board and currently sit on Risk and Audit and Hospital Advisory Committee.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board.

I am a partner in Hogan Osteo Plus Ltd and my husband, Shaun Hogan is a registered Osteopath.

I am currently an elected Councillor for the Whanganui District Council and appointed onto the Whanganui Community Foundation. To the best of my knowledge I have no other potential conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board.

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#### Jenny DUNCAN

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Councillor of Whanganui District. My focus is Safe, Accessible, Dependable Delivery

of Health Services within all of our communities. Ensuring quality service for our elderly and quick

access to basic health for families are priorities. Doing that in rapidly changing times is our challenge. Relationships and collaboration are the key. To retain our population we must provide the quality of health services people expect.

I successfully led the Chamber challenge against moving our women's maternity service to PNorth and a proven track record of championing our community.

My children and I were born here. I've spent 30+ years here, returning 17 years ago because I'm passionate about this place and our future.

Past Chamber president, Community Foundation board member, qualified Accountant with an MBA and having served one term on the Health Board, I have the governance, business and community experience essential for the safe delivery of health services in our region. www.jennyduncan2016.com

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following potential conflicts of Interest with the Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB).

I am a board member of the Whanganui Community Foundation, Castlecliff Community Charitable Trust and am a Whanganui District Council Councillor.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the WDHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the potential conflicts of interest stated above.



#### Ngaire ELLWOOD

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

I am standing for the Health Board as an advocate for sustainable, affordable, fully integrated local health services to be provided for every person in the community, as an essential

element of health and wellbeing. I offer a range of skills to the board to help deliver this, including my administration skills,

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extensive local government, community board, personal assistant and hospice administration experience as well as my down to earth personality and my desire to work effectively for our community. I believe there is a fine balance between effective governance, health care efficiency and front line care, but from a patients' perspective it is the quality of the front line care that matters most. I will be working for the community to ensure the health board remains fully focused on quality planning, providing an effective level of healthcare services whilst supporting the needs of both the medical providers and patients.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership for the Board, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future.



#### Kiritahi FIRMIN

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Councillor of Whanganui District.

Kiaora, I'm Kiritahi Firmin, I'm a business woman. I'm standing for the DHB elections because we need to make better decisions to improve the

health of our people.

There are serious questions we need to ask ourselves; What are we doing about child obesity, improving access to specialist mental health and addiction services, primary health care, oral health, the list goes on. And who is sitting at the Board table helping to make the difference.

I want to see Whanganui THRIVE in every way. I think about my grand- children and their grand-children and want to make sure that their future is prosperous. So I'm putting my hand up and putting my expertise into the 'kete' to help make this happen. I have experience in governance and management in Computing the projection of the set of the upper set.

Community Organisations, BOT and Runanga. I'm well known of 'getting out there, and getting on with the job'.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following current conflict of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board:

I am a senior employee of Kimiora Trust, a health service provider, which is funded in part by the DHB, through WRHN. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other

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conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.



#### Stuart Graeme HYLTON

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

I'm a current member of the Whanganui District Health Board, committed and passionate about securing a safe, responsive and integrated health system designed to meet our community's needs.

As a Board we need to build upon our first break-even financial result in 2014/15 and continue to perform well against the national health performance targets.

We need to be smart to attract key clinicians to Whanganui and strategic to procure services through regional alliances to ensure our community has access to the best health care possible. We need to drive services closer to home, achieve faster cancer treatment, improve urology and child health services, and enhance patient experiences in our Hospital and supporting

services

I have a background in local government, currently run my own business and stand on a number of Committees giving me the skills, flexibility and governance nous to represent your interests in achieving healthy outcomes.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

I am an executive member of the Wanganui, Rangitikei, Wamarino Cancer Society, which has service links to the WDHB. I am an executive member of the Central Districts Division of the Cancer Society of New Zealand Inc, which has service links to the WDHB.

I am appointed Whanganui District Licensing Commissioner under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 which requires interaction with and receipt of reports from WDHB employees including the Medical Officer of Health.

I am a policy advisor to the Whanganui District Council which on occasions involves work within the health protection and promotion fields including interaction with relevant WDHB staff.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the WDHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the WDHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in

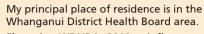
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the future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.

#### Judith MACDONALD



Elected to WDHB in 2010 to influence policy, contribute to health strategy, passionately support services for vulnerable children and access to services for people who have the

greatest needs. As an experienced governor, I wish to stand again.

Raised in Taihape district and lived in Wanganui for eighteen years, my entire 35 year health career has served the Whanganui region.

I have worked in senior roles as a clinical leader at Wanganui Hospital, Rural Health Centres and primary care. My current role CEO Whanganui Regional Health Network supports primary health services and working to develop one integrated health system.

I am an experienced governor and hold Directorships for Whanganui Accident and Medical, Gonville Health, Taihape Health (past Director Whanganui Womens' Refuge, Life to the Max). Currently deputy chair WDHB Community and Public Health Advisory Committee, chair Local Cancer Network, WDC Social Housing committee and Chair governance Childrens' Team.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board (WDHB):

I am the Chief Executive of Whanganui Regional Health Network (WRHN), a primary health organisation that partners with the WDHB in regards to health developments and strategy. WDHB in part funds the organisation through contracts for services.

Conflicts associated to this role are:

Co- Chair Whanganui Alliance Leadership Team; Chair Collaborative Clinical Directors Forum (Senior Doctors and Clinical Directors); Member WRHN Clinical Governance Group; Chair Whanganui Local Cancer Network and currently the Whanganui member on the Central Region Cancer Network governance group; Chair Whanganui District Council Pensioner and Social Housing Advisory Group. I am a Director of Gonville Health, Taihape Health and Whanganui Accident and Medical, health service providers (and subsidiary companies of WRHN) which are funded in part by the WDHB. I am chair of the

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Whanganui Childrens Team, an intersectorial governance group established in response to government policy to improve the wellbeing of vulnerable children.

Currently I am an elected member of the WDHB Board and deputy chair of the Community and Public Health Advisory Committee and a member of the Central Alliance Committee. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with WDHB at the date of my notice of consent of being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB. I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



## Annette MAIN

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

The availability of high quality and accessible healthcare is an important consideration when people choose where they will live in New Zealand.

By working together with our regional and iwi partners our health board has made sure that our community has proactive health services which look after us when we need it, help us to improve our general health and have a range of services we can all access.

No matter who we are or where we live.

I am very supportive of the excellent initiatives around the reduction and prevention of future health issues in our community.

I bring my experience from my previous role as Mayor and Chair of Safer Whanganui to a role on the Health Board.

A health service which works for us is an important factor in the success of our community.

I will bring effective and constructive input to our health needs. Email annettemainnz@gmail.com

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.

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#### Susan OSBORNE

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

E rere kau mai te Awa nui mai i te kahui maunga ki Tangaroa, ko au te Awa, ko te Awa ko au. The river flows from the mountain to the sea, I am the river, and the river is me.

Blessed with three adult children and one beautiful granddaughter. Born and raised up the Waitotara Valley, a country girl at heart. Described as a Strong, Determined, Resilient, Focused woman. Trusted to do a job well. Integrity, accountability, honesty are my core values.

My work experience and leadership roles in the Health sector has allowed me to share my values, influencing positive change. A big thinker, experienced in providing Governance advice, such roles as, Board vice chair WDHB Māori Relationship Hauora-alwi and Te Oranganui lwi Health Authority, Board and Committee Jigsaw Whanganui, Hospital Advisory Committee. Trustee Ngā Tangata Tiaki. Enjoying teacher aid work at Wanganui Intermediate School.

Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following current conflict of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board (DHB):

Whanganui District Health Board Maori Relationship Board Hauora a Iwi

Whanganui Hospital Advisor Committee

Te Oranganui Iwi Health Authority Board

Te Oranganui Iwi Health Authority Audit and Risk Committee Jigsaw Whanganui Board

Nga Tangata Tiaki Board

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the WDHB at the date of my notice of being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the WDHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



#### Wendy STANBROOK-MASON

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

My nomination for the Whanganui District Health Board is a continuation of my desire to contribute to the health and wellbeing of our community. As an employee of the DHB, I am mindful of the

health needs and inequalities of the community we serve.



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My career in health began as a 15-year old volunteer in the then Newcombe Ward at Whanganui Hospital. As my career has unfolded, the commitment and belief in this DHB continues strongly.

I am currently employed at the WDHB as a nurse manager. While I hold a management role, the nature of my work enables me to work closely with clinicians and patients, thus giving me valuable insight into how our care is delivered. This gives me a unique ability to contribute to the board with meaningful dialogue, and as a community member be an active part in the future direction that our DHB takes.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I am currently employed by Whanganui District Health board as Nurse Manager, medical services.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for the membership of the board of Whanganui District Health Board.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future, other than my intended continued employment by the DHB.



#### **Ray STEVENS**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Mayor of Whanganui District and Councillor of Whanganui District.

In the last 6 years I have been able to ensure the ordinary man and woman is well heard at the

board table. In my day job I talk with many people and am able to reflect their important current issues in the DHB decision making process. My goal is to continue taking those views to the Board table.

The need to have a Hospital that can service the community needs without unnecessary travel is paramount. The provision of services in Wanganui is number one.

The primary focus of maintaining our frontline Nursing staff and Doctors to provide the continued outstanding service is the grassroots approach for us. Budgets must reflect the message that patients and nurses and doctors = hospital.

The retention of local services for our community rides high on my list of the expected outcomes that we desire and demand.

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to be being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future.



My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area.

Tena Koutou

I am Christie and I am standing, or in my case sitting for the Whanganui District Health Board. I wish to represent our community as an expert in

the health sector. My relationship with our health services is current and longstanding and I have extensive experience and knowledge regarding service delivery in our region and nationally. In fact I am considered a high user or 'Frequent Flyer' of the public health system. I have expertise in the disability sector, and I'm also a published author in this arena. My dad's family are from the river and my mother is English, I love that as a child they demanded that I be treated normally, and that normality is a passion that drives me today. I offer myself as a candidate to represent the diversity of our community and can assist in achieving equity in heath care. Nga mihi nui

Conflict of Interest Statement

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board:

My sister in law is currently employed by the DHB as a medical professional.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the WDHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



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#### Rob VINSEN Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Councillor of Whanganui District. I am dedicated to the protection and

improvement of the health of Whanganui people. I believe my seven years of local

government experience have equipped me with the skills that will add value to the governance of the Whanganui District Health Board. I have a sound understanding of the objectives and role of the board. I will work to reform Board procedures to enable more transparency, democratic decision making and better dialogue with the community. I will carefully scrutinise all DHB decisions for their impact on all our health services, CV -Two term Whanganui District Councillor, Director of Whanganui Holdings Portfolio's Port Redevelopment, Forestry, Property, Trustee Whanganui Resource Recovery Centre. With my wife, Lynne, I have a 45 year business background in Retail stores throughout the Lower North Island. I am a Director of Katere Coatings Ltd; an offshore/onshore New Plymouth based industrial coatings business.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Whanganui District Health Board at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership for the board of the District Health Board, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### Rangi M WILLS

My principal place of residence is in the Whanganui District Health Board area. I am also standing for Councillor of Whanganui District.

I am a Justice of the Peace and a Member of the Institution of Fire Engineers (England). Wanganui bred and schooled. Served 34 years in

NZ Fire Service. 26 years as a senior officer. 6 years Director of Planning and Operations for NZ Fire Service Commission. Responsibilities Nationally, corporate business, operational planning and auditing operational, financial and business efficiency, oversight \$170 million annual budget. Governance experience; National Casino Control Authority, Whanganui District Health Board, chaired Risk and Audit committee, 4th term Wanganui District Councillor (one term Deputy Mayor). NZ Fire Service Commission, Risk and Audit Committee, \$350m annual Budget, PowerCo Trust Board,

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Hospice Wanganui Board, Wanganui Regional Museum Joint Council and Tikanga Maori House Committee. Wanganui Education Trust, Grey Power Wanganui Board. Also a committee member of a number of other local organisations. My promise is to ensure the efficient and effective management of our district's health needs.

#### Conflict of Interest Statement

I, Rangi Marehua Wills advise that to my knowledge I do not have a conflict of interest on any matter that may affect the Whanganui District Health Board at this time.

Should a matter arise which I recognise as a conflict of interest during board discussion or through any advisement externally that I am made aware of prior to my attendance at a board meeting, I will declare a conflict of interest and withdraw from the table and not take part in any discussion on that matter.



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