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FROM THE Mayor's Desk

After a few busy weeks of elections, we now have our final results. A special congratulations to those elected to Council and our Community Boards.

Our new Council was officially sworn in on Thursday 23 October. It was wonderful to see friends, whānau, and supporters filling the room to celebrate this moment with their elected representatives. I'm pleased to announce that Councillor Dave Wilson will serve as Deputy Mayor. Dave has been a tremendous support and brings great experience to the role. While we don't always agree (which is healthy!), I value his insight and leadership.

One of our processes will be calling for nominations for Community Committees in Hunterville, Turakina, Marton, and Bulls. If you're keen to help shape the future of your town, please reach out to me, one of your Councillors, or a past committee member.

Earlier this month, I joined other mayors in Wellington for "Mayor's School" - a two-day workshop on everything from leadership to emergency response. With 33 new mayors across the country this term, there's a lot of change ahead, but also a lot of opportunity.

Closer to home, it's been great to see progress at the Marton bore testing site, where Marton's innovative new water treatment is taking shape. And a huge congratulations also to the Hunterville community for the stunning revival of the Argyle Hotel. This is a fantastic example of local pride and teamwork.

It's going to be a busy and exciting triennium for our district. I'm looking forward to working alongside you all to keep Rangitikei moving forward.

New Council for Rangitikei District 2025-2028



Have your say on Marton's town centre

Consultation opens 31 October 2025.

For more information check out our website and facebook page.

www.rangitikei.govt.nz/marton-streetscape-plan

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Have your say



Creative Communities SCHEME

New Creative Communities Assessment Committee Needed

The Creative Communities Scheme supports and encourages local creative projects that help make the arts more accessible, foster community participation, and celebrate cultural diversity across the Rangitikei District.

We're looking for people who are passionate about the arts, culture, and creativity to join the Creative Communities Assessment Committee.

To express interest, please complete a Nomination form - sending a brief statement about your background and why you'd like to be involved to info@rangitikei.govt.nz

Nominations close 5pm, 2 November 2025

www.rangitikei.govt.nz/creative-communities-scheme

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION 2025

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More information about our Councillors are available on our website www.rangitikei.govt.nz/councillors.

All meetings are open to the public, unless there are specific items which Council resolves to consider 'public excluded' and are livestreamed on our facebook page.

Any queries, please phone 06 327 0099 or 0800 422 522.

Thank you to everyone who had their say on the future of Rangitikei District Council!

