

NOTICE OF DAY OF ELECTION AND POLL FOR THE TARANAKI REGIONAL COUNCIL

## Nominations received

Notice is given under section 65 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 that the following persons have been duly nominated as candidates for:

### **New Plymouth General Constituency** (five vacancies)

| Name                     | Affiliation        |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| CLOKE, Tom               |                    |
| FOLTZ, Craig             |                    |
| HUGHES, Susan            |                    |
| JAMES, Louise Mary       | The Future Is Rail |
| KANE, Rusty              |                    |
| MAXWELL, John Robert     |                    |
| NGAREWA, Nicola Jane     |                    |
| WILLIAMSON, Craig Stuart |                    |
| YOUNG, Jonathan          |                    |

### North Taranaki General Constituency (two vacancies)

| Name            | Affiliation |
|-----------------|-------------|
| BLACKBURN, Tama |             |
| DAVEY, Mike     |             |
| GIBBS, Leedom   |             |
| KENNEDY, Lee    |             |
| WILKES, Chris   |             |

### South Taranaki General Constituency (two vacancies)

| Name              | Affiliation |
|-------------------|-------------|
| CRAM, Donna Maree |             |
| SIGNER, Urs Peter |             |
| WALKER, Neil      |             |

#### **Stratford General Constituency** (one vacancy)

| Name             | Affiliation |
|------------------|-------------|
| ATTRILL, Brendan |             |
| JAMIESON, Alan   |             |

As there are (for each office) more candidates than there are vacancies to be filled, an election will be held between the listed candidates on Saturday, 11 October 2025, under the First Past the Post electoral system by postal vote.

## Elected unopposed

Taranaki Māori Constituency (one vacancy)

| Name           | Affiliation |
|----------------|-------------|
| BIGHAM, Bonita |             |

As the number of candidates does not exceed the number of vacancies, Bonita BIGHAM is duly declared an elected member of the Taranaki Regional Council.

### Order of candidate names

The Taranaki Regional Council resolved under regulation 31 of the Local Electoral Regulations 2001 to adopt the alphabetical order of candidate names to appear on the voting documents.

# Māori Constituency Poll

Notice is also given under section 65 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, that the Taranaki Regional Council is required to hold a poll on its Māori constituency in conjunction with its 2025 elections. The poll will be held on Saturday, 11 October 2025 under the First Past the Post electoral system by postal vote.

The outcome of the poll will be binding and apply for the 2028 and 2031 triennial elections.

The poll is a vote to KEEP or REMOVE the Taranaki Regional Council's Māori constituency.

## Issuing of voting documents

Voting documents will be posted to electors by each constituent territorial authority in the region from Tuesday, 9 September 2025.

# Return of voting documents

Voting documents must be returned not later than noon, Saturday, 11 October 2025 to the electoral officer of each constituent territorial authority in the region.

Voting documents can be returned by post or hand delivered at the following locations between Tuesday, 9 September 2025 and Friday, 10 October 2025 during normal business hours, and Saturday, 11 October 2025 between 9.00am – noon:

- New Plymouth District Council
  - o New Plymouth District Council, Civic Centre, 84 Liardet Street, New Plymouth
  - o Bell Block Library and Service Centre, 188 Parklands Avenue Shopping Centre, Bell Block
  - o Inglewood Library and Service Centre, 46 Rata Street, Inglewood
  - o Waitara Library and Service Centre, 15a Queen Street, Waitara
  - o Puke Ariki Library, 1 Ariki Street, New Plymouth
  - o Ōākura Library, 16 Donnelly Street, Ōākura
  - Urenui Library, Takiroa Street, Urenui (open Tuesday 9.00am 2.00pm and Friday 12.00pm – 4.00pm).
- South Taranaki District Council
  - o Council's Administration Building, 105-111 Albion Street, Hāwera
  - o Te Ramanui o Ruaputahanga, 121 High Street, Hāwera
  - o Eltham LibraryPlus, 102 King Edward St, Eltham
  - o Kaponga LibraryPlus, 42 Victoria St, Kaponga
  - o Manaia LibraryPlus, 22 South Road, Manaia
  - o Ōpunakē LibraryPlus, 43 Tasman St, Ōpunakē
  - o Pātea LibraryPlus, 128 Egmont Street, Pātea
  - o Waverley LibraryPlus, 58 Weraroa Road, Waverley
- Stratford District Council
  - o Stratford District Council, 63 Miranda Street, Stratford
  - o Stratford District Library and Visitor Information Centre, Prospero Place, Stratford
  - o Wai o Rua Stratford Aquatic Centre, 53 Portia Street, Stratford.

## Special voting

Special voting in terms of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and the Local Electoral Regulations 2001 may be exercised at the above locations and times, or by phoning the electoral office on 0800 922 822.

A person can apply to enrol as either a residential or ratepayer elector right up to and including Friday, 10 October 2025 – the day before the close of voting.

Dale Ofsoske, Electoral Officer

Taranaki Regional Council, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford

6 August 2025