

IT'S TIME. KUA TAE TE WĀ.



MĀORI REPRESENTATION - MĀNGAI MĀORI

For the first time Kaipara District Council will have a Māori Ward, Te Moananui o Kaipara, with one Māori Ward councillor elected district-wide. The Māori Ward will provide a new way for Māori to contribute to decision-making and strengthen Māori representation at Council.

This is a time of change, and it's never been more important for all Māori to enrol and vote, and to consider standing for Council.

Enrol - Rēhita

If you are of Māori descent, and you're not currently enrolled, you can choose to enrol on the Māori roll. If you are already enrolled, it is not possible to switch from General roll to Māori roll, or vice versa for these elections.

Enrolling to vote for the first time

To enrol, you need to complete an enrolment form. You can do this by:

- enrolling online at enrol.vote.nz
- calling 0800 ENROLNOW (0800 36 76 56)
- texting your name and address to 3676
- picking a form up at your local New Zealand Post Shop.

Enrol by Friday 12 August so you can vote. If you enrol after 12 August, you will need to cast a 'special vote'.

Stand - Tū

Māori ward councillors represent people of Māori descent and bring forward Māori views and aspirations. They also represent the entire community of Kaipara.

Be the first to stand in Te Moananui o Kaipara Ward.

Nominations open on Friday 15 July and close at noon on Friday 12 August 2022.

Who can stand in a Māori ward?

To be eligible to stand in a Māori ward, you must be a New Zealand citizen and your name must be on the Parliamentary Electoral Roll anywhere in New Zealand. You will need to be nominated by two electors whose names appear on the Māori Electoral Roll within the area of elections for which you are standing. You do not need to be of Māori descent to stand for election in a Māori ward.

How do I stand?

To stand, you must complete a nomination form. You can access nomination forms and a candidate information handbook by calling 0800 922 822. Nomination papers and candidate handbooks are also available from:

- Kaipara District Council's Dargaville office (32 Hokianga Road, Dargaville)
- Kaipara District Council's Mangawhai office (Unit 6, The Hub, 6 Molesworth Drive, Mangawhai)
- At kaipara.govt.nz

Information sessions

To find out more about standing, you can attend candidate information briefing with a Kaipara District Council Governance Advisor. Briefings are one-to-one and you can ask questions about standing and about the role of a councillor. Appointments are available online, over the phone, or in person. To make an appointment, contact Gavin Dawson on 0800 727 059 or gdawson@kaipara.govt.nz

Vote - Pōti

How do I vote?

Election day is Saturday 8 October 2022 and voting closes at noon. Have your vote in the mail before Tuesday 4 October 2022 to make sure it gets to us before voting closes.

You can also hand deliver your voting document to one of our ballot boxes at Kaipara District Council offices during the voting period – from Friday 16 September 2022 to 12 noon Saturday 8 October 2022.

If you are enrolled by 12 August, you will receive your voting documents and a freepost return envelope in the mail. If you enrol after 12 August, you will need to cast a 'special vote'. You can request this by calling the electoral office on 0800 922 822 or at a Kaipara District Council office:

- Dargaville office (32 Hokianga Road, Dargaville)
- Mangawhai office (Unit 6, The Hub, 6 Molesworth Drive, Mangawhai).

How do I find out about candidates?

Candidates are announced on Wednesday 17 August 2022. Ways to get to know the candidates:

- a candidate profile booklet is sent with your voting documents
- candidate information will be posted on localelections.co.nz and kaipara.govt.nz after nominations close.

How do I find out more about local elections?

You can find out more about enrolling, standing, or voting in local government elections at localelections.co.nz

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