

Waikato Regional Council

Waipā-King Country General Constituency

Electing 2 Regional Councillors



Garry REYMER

Rates Control Team

My principal place of residence is in the Waipā-King Country General Constituency area.

I am standing for the Waikato Regional Council because I am committed to enhancing council efficiency and ensuring a focus on core responsibilities.

It is essential that we prioritise cost-effective flood protection, drainage, environmental management, and improvements to public transport services. Currently, for every \$1 the council spends on services, the bureaucracy adds more dollars in cost—at unsustainable ratios.

As a businessman and farmer with strong roots in the community, I am passionate about the wellbeing and prosperity of the wonderful Waipa.

That's why I'm concerned about the continuing growth of bureaucracy. The council's steady increase in staff numbers, which rose by 5% last year and 30% since 2015, along with consultant expenditures reaching \$16.9 million, cannot continue unchecked.

As a member of the Rates Control Team, I will work to ensure that the Waikato Regional Council remains effective, affordable, efficient, and consistently delivers value for money to ratepayers.