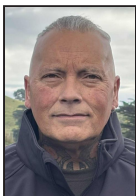


Ōtorohanga District Council
Rangiātea Māori Ward
Electing 2 Councillors



Thomas TAI

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

Although I don't reside in the Rangiātea Māori ward area I spend a lot of time there.

My vision is simple: thriving communities, healthy whānau, and strong local opportunities across the

whole Rangiātea Ward.

From Kāwhia to Hauturu, Tihiroa to Honikiwi, we face serious challenges – poor roading, limited health services, housing stress, and not enough local jobs. Our whānau deserve better. I'm standing to push for real improvements in infrastructure, access to healthcare, and community-led economic development.

My roots run deep here – through whakapapa, through lived experience, and through the teachings of my kaumātua. As a business owner in both Aotearoa and the US, I bring real- world skills, a hard work ethic, and a collective leadership style. I'm a trustee of Waipapa Marae, sit on Te Rūnanganui o Ngāti Hikairo, and represent our people on major whenua blocks. I'll listen. I'll work. I'll deliver.