

Ōtorohanga District Council

Further Notice of Election and Poll and Declaration of Elected Candidates

Nominations have closed for the 2025 triennial local authority elections. Listed below are details of the confirmed candidates for Ōtorohanga District Council.

Where elections are required, they will be conducted by postal voting using the First Past the Post electoral system. Voting will open on Tuesday 9 September 2025 and will close at 12 noon on Saturday 11 October 2025.

Mayor (1 Vacancy)

DOW, Rodney
PRENDERGAST, Cathy
TAMAKI, Jaimee

Waipā Ward (1 Vacancy)

HUGHES, Steve
WOODWARD, Michael

Ōtorohanga Ward (2 Vacancies)

BARCLAY, Tayla
CHRISTISON, Katrina
NEHA, Robbie Independent

Rangiātea Māori Ward (2 Vacancies)

KETE, Tennille
MORGAN-WIND, Maxine Independent
TAI, Thomas
TAMAKI, Jaimee
TĀNE, Wikitōria

The following nominations were also received where the number of nominations did not exceed the available vacancies.

Kāwhia-Tihiroa Ward (2 Vacancies)

BUTCHER, Jo Independent
JEFFRIES, C.E. (Kit)

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Jo BUTCHER and C.E. (Kit) JEFFRIES are elected unopposed.

Kio Kio-Korakonui Ward (1 Vacancy)

BARKER, Andrew

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Andrew BARKER is elected unopposed.

Wharepūhanga Ward (1 Vacancy)

CARR, Shane

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Shane CARR is elected unopposed.

Ōtorohanga Community Board (4 Vacancies)

MASSEY, Leanne
MCNEIL, Brendon
THOMAS, Craig
TUBMAN, Bronwyn

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Leanne MASSEY, Brendon MCNEIL, Craig THOMAS and Bronwyn TUBMAN are elected unopposed.

Aotea Community Subdivision (1 Vacancy)

GOOD, Geoff

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Geoff GOOD is elected unopposed.

Kāwhia Community Subdivision (3 Vacancies)

HARPUR, Richard

MAHARA, Annie Ngarongo

WHIU, Hinga

Independent

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Richard HARPUR, Annie Ngarongo MAHARA and Hinga WHIU are elected unopposed.

Māori Ward Poll - Ōtorohanga District Council

A poll will be held in conjunction with the above elections to confirm whether Ōtorohanga District Council electors wish to keep or remove the Māori Ward as part of Ōtorohanga District Council's representation structure. The outcome of the poll is binding and will determine whether a Māori Ward will be retained for the Ōtorohanga District Council elections in 2028 and 2031. The First Past the Post (FPP) Electoral System will be used for this poll.

Enrolment and Special Voting Arrangements

Ōtorohanga District Council residential electors who are not listed on the final electoral roll for these elections can enrol up to 5pm on Friday 10 October 2025 by calling 0800 36 76 56, visiting the Electoral Commission website www.vote.nz, by texting your name and address to 3676 to get a form sent to you or by email request to enquiries@elections.govt.nz.

Ōtorohanga District Council ratepayers who are not listed on the final electoral roll for these elections can obtain an enrolment form from the Ōtorohanga District Council Office, 17 Maniapoto Street, Ōtorohanga and enrol up to 4pm on Friday 10 October 2025. Online applications for ratepayer elector registration can also be made at www.electionz.com/ratepayer.

Special voting documents will be available during normal office hours from Tuesday 9 September to Friday 10 October and between 9am and 12 noon, Saturday 11 October 2025 from the Ōtorohanga District Council Office, 17 Maniapoto Street, Ōtorohanga.

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