# WAIROA DISTRICT COUNCIL IN FOCUS

## TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO VOTE

The Wairoa Local Body election closes in just four days. Time is running out for you to have your say.

If you haven't voted it's not too late. For those who have received their voting papers in the mail, you may be running out of time to lodge them by post, but you can fill in your voting papers and drop them off at the Wairoa District Council offices in Queen Street. Voting closes at midday on Saturday October 8.

Locally the Wairoa District Council is made up of a Mayor, who is elected at large, and six councillors. The councillor seats are split into three Maori Ward seats and three General Ward seats.

As well as voting in the Wairoa District Council election, Wairoa voters will be able to vote for the Wairoa representative on the Hawke's Bay Regional Council, and for those on the Māori

election you need to be registered on the Parliamentary Roll. If you are a registered voter and have not received your voting papers, please contact the Wairoa District Council Electoral Officer Juanita Savage on 06 838 7309.

Anyone wanting to vote who is not enrolled may need to arrange a special vote by contacting the Wairoa District Council Electoral Officer Juanita Savage at the Council by phoning 06 838 7309.

The Wairoa District Council website also has a range of electoral information including answers to Frequently Asked Questions, www.wairoadc.govt.nz

#### FOR YOUR DIARY Electoral Roll, the new northern ward seat. **PUBLIC NOTIFICATION** To be able to vote in the upcoming Wairoa District Council

**COUNCIL FORUM** Tuesday 4th October 1.30 pm

EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL **MEETING** 

Tuesday 4th October 2.30pm

#### **CONTACT US**



# **HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT VOTING & RESULTS?**

## My voting papers still haven't arrived?

Go to Council and let Customer Services know you'd like to do a Special Vote. They will get the electoral officer for you. Or you can call 06 838 7309 and ask to speak with the electoral officer.

#### My voting paper has some candidates missing?

It will depend on what roll you are on. Candidates stand in either the General Ward or the Māori Ward. If you are on the General roll you will only have the candidates standing in the General Ward and so forth.

## I want to change rolls now, can I do this by doing a Special Vote?

No. Your special voting paper will be for the roll you are currently on. The next schedule roll change is scheduled for

#### I spoiled my voting documents/I have made a mistake on my documents. What can I do?

If you can amend it so that your voting intention is clear, then do so. If necessary, we can issue you with a special voting document. Call the electoral officer on 06 838 7309.

#### What's the last day to put my voting papers in the mail?

We recommend putting them in the post no later than Tuesday 4 October to ensure they reach the electoral office before votes close at noon on Saturday 8 October.

#### Is there a ballot box I can put my voting papers instead of the mail?

Yes. There is a secure ballot box located at the Council office, Coronation Square, Queen Street, Wairoa. They will then be delivered to Independent Election Services Limited in Auckland for processing and counting.

# When will the election results be

Progress results around 2pm on election day, Saturday 8th October. Preliminary results on Sunday morning 9th October. Once all special votes have been validated by the Electoral Commision, a final result is able to be announced. Final results are expected late afternoon on Thursday 13th October.

#### Where will the election results be released?

Candidates will be emailed both the progress and preliminary results, once available.

All results will also be placed on council's website www.wairoadc.govt.nz



Vote for our local and regional council and make a positive difference for our local community.



**VOTING OPENS 16 SEPTEMBER** & CLOSES 12 NOON 8 OCTOBER





#### Local people. Local impact. **HAWKE'S BAY 2022 LOCAL ELECTIONS**

Voting opens Friday 16 September and closes at noon, Saturday 8 October.

Completed postal votes must be mailed by Tuesday 4 October, or dropped into a ballot box. Visit wairoadc.govt.nz and hbrc.govt.nz for more info and for a full list of ballot box locations.

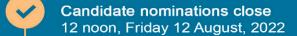




# **ELECTION TIMELINE**









Final Electoral Roll certified by **Electoral Officer** Monday 12 September, 2022

Voting papers sent to enrolled voters 16-21 September, 2022

Voting opens 16 September-8 October, 2022

**Voting closes** 12 noon, 8 October, 2022

Progress and preliminary results published 8-9 October, 2022

Final results announced 14-19 October, 2022