

This information sheet has been prepared as a guide to assist potential candidates and others with general information on the election. It has been completed on a best endeavours basis and should be used as a guide only. Candidates or other persons requiring more detailed information should contact the election helpline – 0800 666 035 in the first instance.

## RETURNING OFFICER

The Returning Officer for this election is Anthony Morton. He can be contacted during normal business hours on 0800 666 035 or iro@electionz.com or after hours on 021 326 021.

## 2020 BOARD MEMBER ELECTION TIMETABLE

Relevant key dates are:

Nominations Open	Thursday 3 September 2020
Nominations Close	5pm Thursday 1 October 2020
IF ELECTION REQUIRED	
Dispatch of voting papers to registered beneficiaries (Voting opens)	by Tuesday 3 November 2020
Postal and internet voting closes	5pm Wednesday 2 December 2020
AGM (Voting at meeting)	Saturday, 5 December 2020
Confirmation of Result	by 11 December 2020

## ELECTION DETAILS

Te Kāhui o Taranaki Trust (the Trust) is the PSGE set up as part of the Treaty of Waitangi claim settlement process to receive and manage assets arising from the yet to be completed deed of settlement for Taranaki Iwi.

The Trust is governed by a board of seven trustees. The trust charter stipulates that the trustees are to be elected on a rotational basis. By rotating the election of trustees, a majority of experienced trustees will always be available.

There are three vacancies for this year's election. Rawinia Leatherby and Jacqui King will retire by rotation later this year and a further vacancy exists from the earlier resignation of Raymond Tuuta. The retiring trustees can stand for re-election if they choose.

## MEETING REQUIREMENTS

The Board generally meets bi-monthly as required. Meetings are typically held during the day at the Trust's office, 1 Young Street, New Plymouth and generally last 3-4 hours. The trust charter includes conditional allowance for trustees to use phone or electronic devices for meeting attendance purposes.

## REMUNERATION

The level of remuneration for elected trustees is set annually at the AGM.

Trustees will also be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred while carrying out approved work on the Trust's behalf. Trustees can claim a mileage fee to attend bi-monthly trustee meetings and other meetings that arise as part of their representation duties.

## TERM OF OFFICE

The trust charter specifies a 3 year term of office. Trustees elected at this election will therefore hold office until the conclusion of the 2023 AGM.

## NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

Nominations must be made on an official nomination form and be received by the Returning Officer **no later than 5pm on Thursday 1 October 2020**. Delivery address details are included on the nomination form. (Note: the Returning Officer does not recommend submitting nomination forms by post. The preferred delivery method is to scan and email the completed nomination form to nominations@electionz.com).

In the event that more than three valid nominations are received an election will be held amongst registered adult members by postal and internet voting and ballot box at the AGM.

Candidates must be adult (over 18) individually registered and verified members of Te Kāhui o Taranaki Trust and their names must appear on the register of members. Each nomination must be supported by three other adult members who must sign the nomination form.

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## CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY

The Te Kāhui o Taranaki Trust charter lists eligibility criteria for candidates and reasons for disqualification from office. These are listed on the reverse side of the nomination form. Candidates should check those eligibility criteria before completing the nomination form.

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## CANDIDATE PROFILE STATEMENTS

The Trust charter allows for candidate profiles to be provided by each candidate with the nomination paper. If an election is required, these are collated by the Returning Officer and forwarded to registered beneficiaries with the voting papers.

### Candidate Profile Statements

- **The Candidate Statement must not exceed 250 words** (The word limit will be strictly enforced).
- **Must** be submitted with the candidate's nomination paper, (preferably in electronic format i.e. as a Word document emailed to the Returning Officer and
- **Must** be confined to information concerning the candidate, and the candidate's policies and intentions if elected to the Board; and
- May include a recent (i.e. less than one year old) head and shoulders photograph of the candidate **only**.

Photos should be submitted in colour and preferably be in an electronic, format (scanned as an attachment by email), but hard copy photos will be accepted and scanned at 300 dpi by the Returning Officer. **(N.B. photos will not be returned to candidates).**

A suggested outline for candidate profile statements is listed on the reverse side of the nomination form.

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## ENROLMENT

Applications for registration can continue to be processed throughout the voting period. Any applications received between 2 October and 5 December 2020 will be dealt with by way of special vote, subject to verification. Registration forms are available online at [www.taranaki.iwi.nz](http://www.taranaki.iwi.nz)

**Each nomination paper must be in the hands of the Returning Officer by: 5pm on Thursday 1 October 2020**

Completed nomination forms can be sent to the Returning Officer by scanning and emailing to [nominations@electionz.com](mailto:nominations@electionz.com)  
Only use the post to return the completed nomination forms by making prior arrangements with the Returning Officer on 0800 666 035.

For assistance phone the  
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