

Mayor and Councillors
COUNCIL

25 OCTOBER 2016

Meeting Status: **Public**

Purpose of Report: For Decision

**APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLORS TO COMMUNITY BOARDS
2016-2019 TRIENNIUM**

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report seeks to formalise the appointment of Ward Councillors to Community Boards in accordance with the Local Government Commission (LGC) Determination on Representation Arrangements for the Kapiti Coast District Council.

DELEGATION

- 2 Only Council may consider this matter.

BACKGROUND

- 3 In 2015 Council carried out its review of representation arrangements in accordance with statutory requirements. Although there were no appeals or objections to the Council's final proposal for arrangements, because it involved a non-compliant boundary change the matter had to be referred to the LGC for final determination. The LGC issued its decision on 28 January 2016, supporting the Council's final proposal which included the decision on the number of councillors (ten), their basis of election (wards + districtwide), and the continuing existence and membership of the District's four Community Boards.
- 4 Following the local body election results, the new Council is asked to confirm the appointment of Ward Councillors back to their respective Community Boards.

ISSUES AND OPTIONS

Issues

- 5 Both Paraparaumu Ward Councillors are appointed back to the Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board as that area carries a larger representational workload with a higher population.
- 6 Ward Councillors are full members of each Board, with speaking and voting rights.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 7 There are no policy considerations.

Legal considerations

8 The Local Government Act 2002, Section 51 says that:

‘The membership of a community board consists of (a) members elected under the Local Electoral Act 2001; and (b) members (if any) of, and appointed in accordance with the Local Electoral Act 2001 by, the territorial authority in whose district the relevant community is situated.’

9 The relevant section of the Local Electoral Act 2001 is 19F:

“(1) Every community board (a) is to consist of not fewer than 4 members nor more than 12 members and (b) is to include at least 4 elected members; and (c) may include appointed members.

(2) The number of appointed members is to be less than half the total number of members;

(3) The persons who are appointed under subsection (1)(c) as members of the community board must: (a) be members of, and must be appointed by, the territorial authority for the district in respect of which the community is constituted; and (b) if the territorial authority is divided into wards, also be members of the territorial authority representing a ward in which the community is situated.”

Financial considerations

10 There are no financial considerations. Councillors who are members of Community Boards do not receive additional remuneration for the role.

Tāngata whenua considerations

11 There are no tāngata whenua considerations.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

12 As this is a procedural matter required under statute it has a low level of significance under the Council policy.

Consultation already undertaken

13 The 2015 Review of Representation Arrangements involved extensive consultation with the community and Community Boards.

Engagement planning

14 An engagement plan is not required for this matter.

Publicity

15 A media release will be prepared to publicise this decision.

RECOMMENDATIONS

16 That Council confirms the appointment of the following Ward Councillors to the respective Community Boards:

Ōtaki Community Board	Councillor James Cootes
Waikanae Community Board	Councillor Michael Scott
Paraparaumu-Raumati Community Board	Councillor Fiona Vining
	Councillor Mark Benton
Paekākāriki Community Board	Councillor Janet Holborow

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