

2021 Representation Review Update

Waikanae Community Board Meeting
30 March 2021

What is a Representation Review?

- To establish whether Council's current democratic arrangements are fair and effective and to ensure that representation meets our community's needs and expectations
- All Councils are legally required to complete a Representation Review every six years

Three key considerations

1. Identify **communities of interest** and how they are best represented - an area where one feels sense of community and belonging. They must be geographical and contiguous.
2. To ensure **fair representation** - each elected member represents about the same number of people (+/- 10% rule)
3. To establish **effective representation** - the number elected members, if wards, community boards etc.

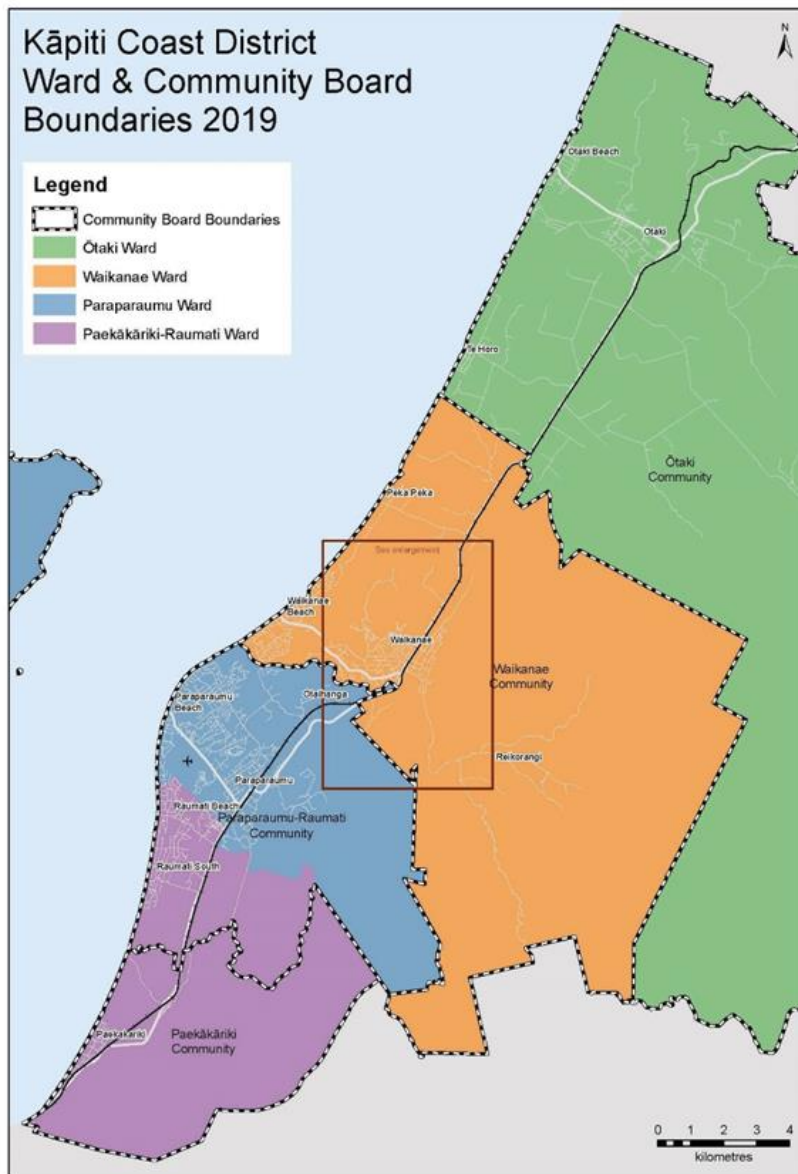
Current representation arrangements

- Mayor – elected district-wide
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- 10 Councillors – 5 elected district-wide and 5 elected from 4 wards
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- 16 Community Board Members from 4 Community Boards

Kāpiti Coast District Ward & Community Board Boundaries 2019

Legend

- Community Board Boundaries
- Ōtaki Ward
- Waikanae Ward
- Paraparaumu Ward
- Paekākāriki-Raumati Ward



Population estimates

- Current wards – as at 30 June 2020

4 wards, 5 members elected from wards					
57,070/5 members = 11,414 +/- 10% = 10,272 - 12,555					
<i>Ward</i>	<i>Pop</i>	<i>Cnrs</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Fits Rule</i>	<i>% Variation</i>
Ōtaki	9,870	1	9,870	No	-13.53%
Paekākāriki-Raumati	10,950	1	10,950	Yes	-4.07%
Paraparaumu	21,800	2	10,900	Yes	-4.50%
Waikanae	14,450	1	14,450	No	26.60%

Known issues

- Ōtaki and Waikanae Wards non-compliant with +/-10% rule (signalled by the Local Government Commission for further work)
- Impact of roading infrastructure (dissecting communities – e.g the impact of the Expressway)
- Growing population
- Changing communities
- Other issues?

Key stages of the Representation Review

- **Community pre-consultation (February-May)**
- Consider options, initial proposal, public notice (April-August)
- Public submission period (September)
- Hearings, final proposal, public notice (October-November)
- Appeal/objection period (November-December)

Opportunities to have your say

- Combined workshop for Community Board Members – **Tuesday 1 June 5:30pm**
- Online survey to be circulated to elected representatives
- Register on website for updates & to participate in general survey
<https://haveyoursay.kapiticoast.govt.nz/representation-review>
- Email representation.review@kapiticoast.govt.nz