

Representation Review 2021

Council Update, 10 December 2020
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Representation Review 2021

- Summary Briefing – 4 August 2020
- Overview Update – 10 December 2020
- Earlier decisions
- Current arrangements
- Communities of interest
- Effective representation
- Fair representation
- Community consultation and project/engagement plan
- Process and timetable
- Summary

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- Summary Briefing:
 - held 4 August 2020
 - covered
 - electoral system
 - Māori wards
 - what is and why we are doing a representation review
 - current arrangements
 - what needs to be considered in a review
 - need for preliminary consultation
 - tentative timetable

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- Overview Update:
 - high level overview of
 - what are our communities of interest?
 - how best are these represented?
 - compliance with +/- 10% rule
 - preliminary community engagement/consultation
 - briefings/workshops in 2021
 - collaborative approach with council and community boards
 - working together for best outcome
 - bringing our communities with us

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- Earlier decisions
 - electoral system
 - Council resolved to retain STV
 - resolution 27 August 2020
 - public notice 2 September 2020
 - Māori wards
 - Council resolved not to establish Māori wards
 - resolution 29 October 2020
 - no public notice required

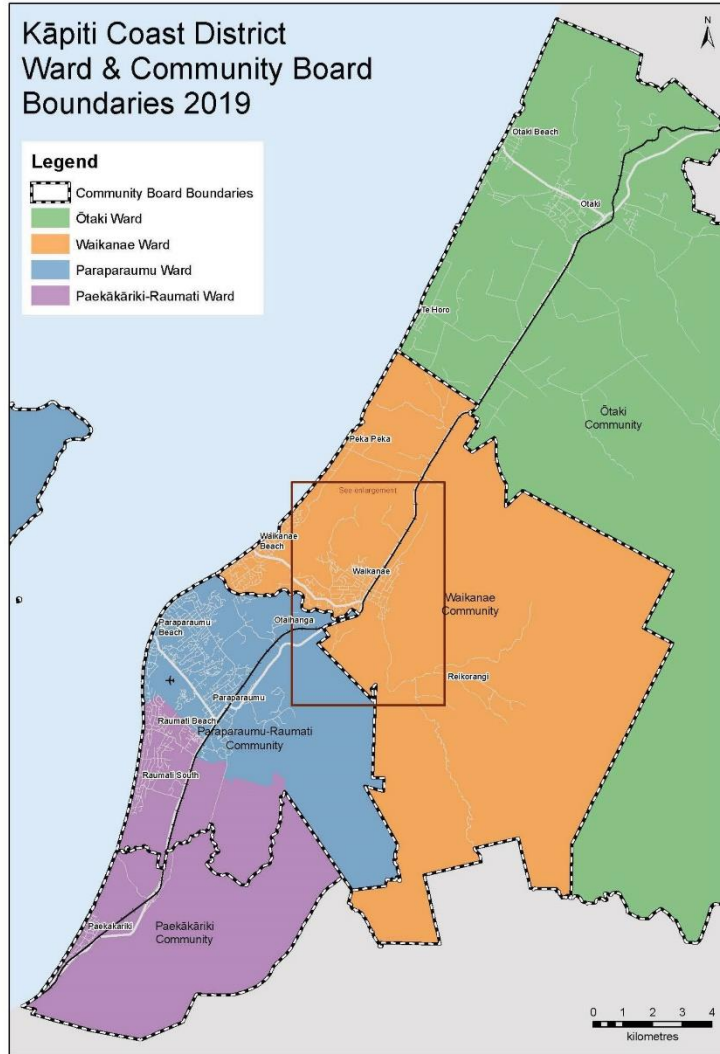
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- Current arrangements
 - 10 councillors, plus mayor
 - 5 elected 'at large'
 - 5 elected from 4 wards
 - Paekākāriki-Raumati (1)
 - Paraparaumu (2)
 - Waikanae (1)
 - Ōtaki (1)
 - 16 community board members from 4 community boards
 - Paekākāriki (4)
 - Paraparaumu/Raumati (4)
 - Waikanae (4)
 - Ōtaki (4)

Kāpiti Coast District Ward & Community Board Boundaries 2019

Legend

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



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Population estimates at 30 June 2020:

4 wards, 5 councillors 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%

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- Current factors
 - do current arrangements reflect our communities needs and expectations?
 - growing population
 - changing communities
 - roading infrastructure impact
 - two wards currently non-compliant +/- 10% rule
 - right number of councillors (workload etc)
 - role of community boards
 - bring communities with council

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- Communities of interest
 - *Issue 1: What are Kāpiti Coast's communities of interest?*
 - these need to be identified
 - may be current or have changed
 - area where one feels sense of community and belonging
 - access to daily goods and services
 - physical and topographical features
 - similar communities can be grouped together
 - consider and workshop next briefing

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- Effective representation
 - *Issue 2: What is the best number of councillors and how should they be elected?*
 - optimum number of councillors (10?)
 - reflect workload
 - best way to represent communities
 - retain mixture wards/'at large', or wards or 'at large'?
 - if mixture or wards, consider (a) number, (b) names, (c) boundaries, (d) number elected
 - consider and workshop next briefing

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- Effective representation
 - *Issue 3: What is the best number of communities and community board members and how should they be elected?*
 - best way to represent local communities
 - retain or alter community boards?
 - if community boards, consider (a) number, (b) names, (c) boundaries, (d) number elected, (e) subdivisions
 - consider and workshop next briefing

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- Fair representation
 - *Issue 4: How do we ensure each councillor represents about the same number of people?*
 - population equity (within +/-10%)
 - applies to wards and community boards where community boards subdivided
 - must take into consideration in review (some tolerance)
 - consider and workshop next briefing

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- Engagement and communications
 - The team is developing a plan that sets out three phases of engagement:
 1. Awareness raising and research
 2. Engagement on options
 3. Formal consultation on initial proposal
 - Councillors will be briefed on the engagement activities in February 2020

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- Process and timetable
 - update on community consultation and engagement approach
 - end February 2021
 - community consultation
 - commences in March 2021
 - consideration of options, preferred initial proposal
 - last legal date 31 August 2021
 - initial proposal public notice
 - last legal date 8 September 2021

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- submission period
 - one month
 - last legal date 8 October 2021
- hearing of submissions, final proposal, public notice
 - within 6 weeks close of submissions
- appeal/objection period
 - one month
 - last legal date 20 December 2021
- Basis of Election public notice or material to LGC
- LGC determination
 - by 10 April 2022

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- Summary
 - What are Kāpiti Coast's communities of interest?
 - What is the best number of councillors and how should they be elected?
 - What is the best number of communities and community board members and how should they be elected?
 - An update on the community consultation and engagement approach will be provided in February

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