

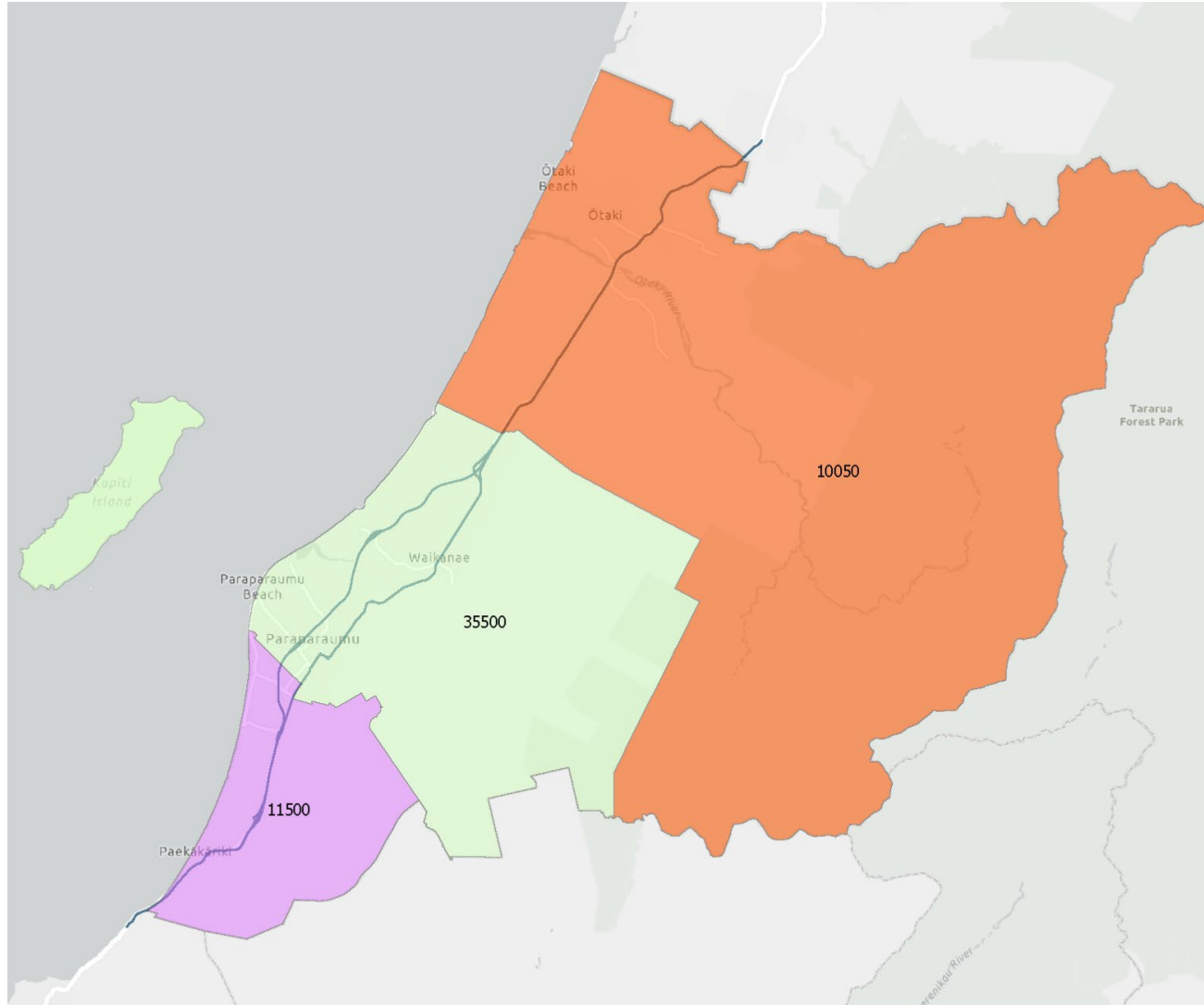
# Representation Review

Council Briefing  
10 August 2021

# Purpose of Briefing

- Final direction on preferred option for the initial proposal:
  - Ward names
  - Communications & engagement
- To discuss communications and engagement plan for the consultation phase

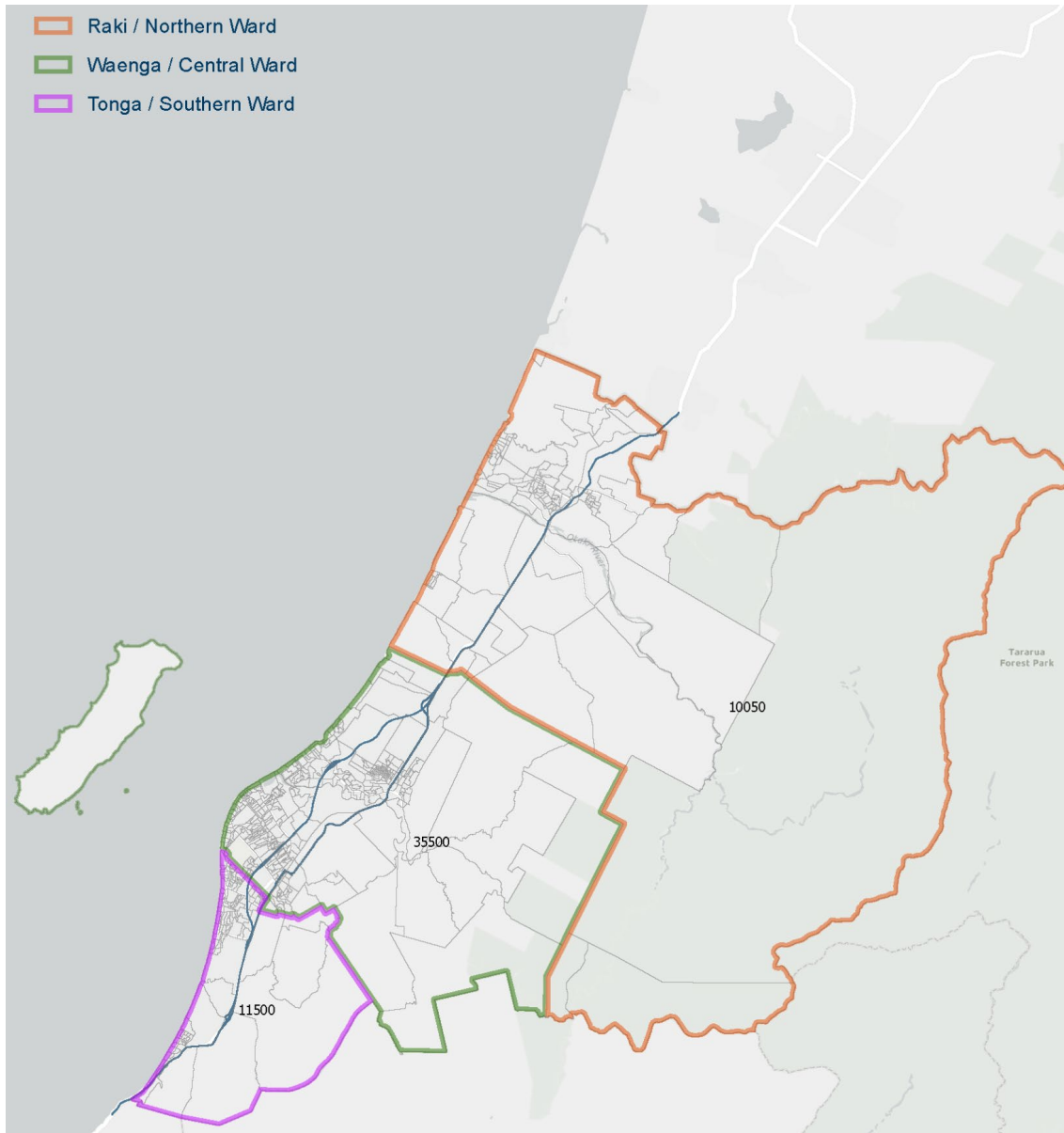
# Your Direction



# Proposed Ward Names

- Raki / Northern Ward
- Waenga / Central Ward
- Tonga / Southern Ward

# Proposed Representation Option



- 3 large wards
- 10 councillors + Mayor
- 5 ward + 5 districtwide councillors

# Fair Representation

Ward	Population	Councillors	Average	% Variation
Raki / Northern	10,050	1	10,050	-11.84
Waenga / Central	35,500	3	11,833	3.80
Tonga / Southern	11,500	1	11,500	0.88
<b>Ward</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11,400</b>	
<b>Districtwide</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11,400</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>57,000</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5,700</b>	

*Dataset = estimated resident population as at 30 June 2020 provided by Statistics NZ*

# Ensuring strong local voices

- The proposed model focuses on strengthening local representation by:
  - removing confusing layers of representation and barriers to engagement
  - strengthening councillors' ability to know and understand their communities
  - empowering existing or new community groups to do more to foster community-led development without the barriers/layers that exist for community boards

# Supporting a more direct relationship between councillors and communities

- Establish a secretariat to support councillors in the community
- Meeting space/neighbourhood clinics
- More communications and engagement support
- Strengthened local outcomes approach – follow through/case management
- Neighbourhood fora or community panels
- Better insights from new voice of the customer programme



# Empowering Communities

- Do more to foster community-led development to support new representation model
- Possible examples:
  - Enhanced grants program
  - Increased funding and staff support for existing community groups to lead initiatives
  - Support establishment of new types of community groups where needed
  - Enhanced local outcomes focus

# Consultation Approach

Consultation period: 1 September – 4 October

Objectives:

- The community:
  - is aware of the consultation and knows how to submit
  - understands the purpose of the review
  - usefulness of the research-driven approach
  - how you came to your proposal.
- You are supported with information for answering queries.

# Consultation Questions

- We are working on the consultation document and questions for consultation...
- Would you like to be on an editorial committee for the consultation document?
- Consultation questions will elicit whether people see the proposal as:
  - *enabling councillors to hear from a wider cross-section of the community*
  - *effective representation of communities of interest*
  - *a fair ratio of councillors to people they represent and*
  - *a good balance between councillors representing wards and Kāpiti as a whole.*

# Consultation & Engagement Channels

- Public notice in Kapiti News 1 September
- Media advisory, Website, Newspaper and radio ads
- Social media – geographically targeted online ads
- Everything Kāpiti e-newsletter and Antenno alerts
- Pop-ups and drop-in sessions
- Mayor/Councillor specific columns?
- Would you like a session during the submission period to talk to Community Board members?

# Any Final Feedback

- Purpose of this briefing is to get confirmation on your key decisions to date and the details to be included in the Initial Proposal

# Next Steps



## 10 August : Briefing

- Confirm with Councillors the final details to be included in the Initial Proposal, identify any tweaks required

## 13 August

- Council Report finalised and into peer review process (agenda dispatched 20 August)

## 26 August : Council Meeting

- Present Councillors with Initial Proposal for approval to go out for public consultation

## Public Submissions

- Receive public submissions (one month – 1 September to 4 October)
- Consider submissions (Hearings 19 October)

## 26 October : Briefing

- Discuss submissions, determine changes (if any)

- Update Community Board Members
- Update the public

## 11 November : Council Meeting

- Present Councillors with Final Proposal for approval

## Appeals/Objections

Receive any appeals or objections (one month – 13 November to 13 December)

Send to Local Government Commission for determination if we receive an appeal or objection, and/or if Final Proposal is outside of guidelines

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