

Waimate District Council

Mayor

Electing the Mayor



Craig ROWLEY

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate District Council area.

Local Government and the Waimate District Council are facing the biggest changes to how we operate and what we deliver in 30 years. This district needs experienced well informed leadership during these challenging times. There will be some huge opportunities as well as we move forward through these centrally lead reforms. We need to ensure that we make the most of these and also continue to lobby and demand the best outcomes for our community. Having had the previous nine years as mayor I have both the passion and experience to again lead your team to better outcomes. As during past years my commitment is 110% and we need to continue to enhance and improve infrastructure and plan for this uncertain future. Local democracy is at the heart of all we do and currently this is under threat we need strong representation and leadership which I can deliver.

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Waimate District Council
Hakataramea-Waihaorunga Ward
Electing 1 Councillor



Colin PANKHURST

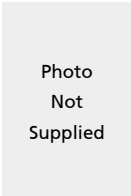
My principal place of residence is not in the Hakataramea-Waihaorunga Ward area.

I have lived and farmed in the Waimate/Waihao Downs area for 23 years, with my wife Jan and children Rachel and Michael. Both children went to Primary and Secondary Schools in the Waimate

District. Myself and family enjoy being part of our community and being involved with all the region has to offer.

Having been in council for 3 years I am now re standing as I want to continue being a voice for the Rate payers in both my Rural District and Waimate as a whole. I am community orientated with a high priority on localism. I feel we all need to stand up together as against Central Government's unworkable reforms. Together with the people in our community and Council staff I would like to see Waimate grow and be a place future generations would want to live.

Waimate District Council
Pareora-Otaio-Makikihi Ward
Electing 2 Councillors



Sandy MCALWEE

My principal place of residence is in the Pareora-Otaio-Makikihi Ward area.

My name is Sandy McAlwee.

I was educated at Blue Cliffs Primary School and Timaru Boys High School

Aged 63, I am married to Jenny and have 2 adult

sons.

I have lived and worked all my life in the Blue Cliffs District.

I am currently dairy farming, with day to day farm management run by a contract milker.

My family has farmed here for 130 years and I have strong ties to the local area.

I have had experience on local committees, including hall committees and school Boards of Trustees.

I have represented the Pareora-Otaio-Makikihi ward on the Waimate District Council for the last 3 years.

It is important that local input provides local solutions.

I am standing again in my local ward for the Waimate District Council.

Waimate District Council
Pareora-Otaio-Makikihi Ward
Electing 2 Councillors



Tom O'CONNOR

My principal place of residence is in the Pareora-Otaio-Makikihi Ward area.

I have served three positive terms on the Waimate District Council but the coming term will be most challenging since the major reforms of local government of the late 1980s.

The pace and extent of Central Government imposed changes has placed enormous pressure on councillors and staff alike and we have been given few details about what lies ahead. The Three Waters take-over by Central Government is only one of many big changes being rushed through with inadequate consultation with rural communities. While anything can be improved, replacing an entire ratepayer funded and owned system with an untried and poorly planned alternative will be a catastrophe. I am therefore opposed to the Three Waters proposals as they currently exist, and also opposed to any form of co-governance. Our council will need outspoken and politically experienced defenders of democracy to survive.

Waimate District Council
Lower Waihao Ward
Electing 1 Councillor



Bruce MURPHY

My principal place of residence is in the Lower Waihao Ward area.

My name is Bruce Murphy and I live near Glenavy. I am a second-generation farmer who has lived in the Waimate district all my life. I am married to Lesa, and we have a young family of four. I have

a deep passion for growing the district making it a better place to live into the future.

I have done extensive governance training which I have used as a past Board of trustee's Chairperson of Glenavy School.

Currently I am a trustee of St Kevins College. I hold numerous other trust and governance roles in the community.

I am past Chair of the Lower Waihao Zone committee and presently a community representative which has helped me understand the environmental aspects of our district and given me a close link to the Local Iwi.

I would be proud to represent you and protect our right to govern our district.

Waimate District Council
Lower Waihao Ward
Electing 1 Councillor



Lisa SMALL

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Lower Waihao Ward area.

Willowbridge has been my home for the past 22 years. I work with my husband on our mixed arable farm and have enjoyed raising our family here.

I love the sense of community we have in Waimate and feel privileged to be a part of a town that cares for its people and environment in such a proactive way.

I believe in free speech, transparency and accountability.

Respecting the right of all residents to have their views listened to before major decisions are made.

I prefer to see a local approach to local problems, less bureaucracy and a return to grass roots democracy where we can tackle problems from a bottom-up approach rather than being dictated to by central Government.

I support the community maintaining and developing its essential services and infrastructure to a standard that makes the Waimate district a great place to live and do business.

Waimate District Council
Waimate Ward
Electing 4 Councillors



Fabia FOX

My principal place of residence is not in the Waimate Ward area.

As a current Waimate Ward Councillor, I know that there has never been a more important time for high-quality decision-making by Council. We have some exciting developments, but as a district and a council we are also facing significant challenges. Like you, I know we need to adapt to change, and we must do this in a constructive way. Our decisions must benefit current and future generations, and protect and enhance our natural environment, our people and our communities. To achieve this, I will continue to advocate for strategic planning, transparent processes and meaningful community engagement by Council. As a policy and sustainability professional, I offer pragmatic local government experience and knowledge of the rapidly evolving laws and regulations we operate under. It would be an honour to represent the Waimate Ward with energy and enthusiasm for a second term.

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John BEGG

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate Ward area.

This is a pivotal time for local government. It requires a strong council, accessing reliable information, and engaging with the community.

Glenda and I have resided in Waimate for the past 29 years raising two children and have been involved in many aspects of our community.

My community involvement and employment have utilised management, social and educational skills. I have chaired organizations such as Waimate High School BOT, Community Link, Christmas in the Square, the Ministers Association, Friends of Kelcey's Bush, as well as numerous other committees.

I have a degree in botany and geology. These fields give me a firm understanding of the importance of research and information to make sound judgments. Since 2016 I have been employed with St John as an ambulance officer.

I have diverse knowledge of recreational, educational, social, and health issues. My hope is for Waimate to thrive in these areas through turbulent times.

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Jonathan Charles BIRD

My principal place of residence is not in the Waimate Ward area.

The performance of the council is central to the economic, environmental and social life of the Waimate District, I see my role as a councillor to set policy, make regulatory decisions and review the performance of the council. I bring experience to this role as an engineer, a teacher of engineers and now that I am working in HS Management locally. Having lived in the district since 1995 I know the area and am willing to help the council staff deliver the services that the people of Waimate district need.

I do not favour any one political party or ideology, but make decision based on rationality and logic, this may not always lead to the most popular course of action, but I am willing to make the hard decisions where they need to be made and to support the Waimate District be the best district in the country.

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Peter David PATERSON

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate Ward area.

I moved to Waimate in 1973 when my father was appointed as County Engineer and I completed my schooling in Waimate. After completing my engineering studies, I practiced as a Civil Engineer in Wellington for 16 years, followed by 24 years in Brunei where I designed and managed Land development projects. In 2008 I started my own Engineering Consultancy. In January 2020 our family returned to Waimate. I am pleased to be back in Waimate, I have joined Lions and I am the treasurer of the Theatre Company. I am proud to say there is no place in the world that I would rather be.

I believe I have much to offer the Waimate District due to my engineering background and financial skills. I am impressed with the Town's development and the community spirit that exists. I would welcome the opportunity to be involved in the further growth of Waimate.

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Sharyn CAIN

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate Ward area.

I am a current Waimate Ward Councillor and Deputy Mayor, alongside District Licensing Commissioner for the three South Canterbury Councils, and an adult educator.

Having lived in Waimate almost my entire life, and raised my adult children here, I am very committed to caring for our community, the people in it, and the generations to come. Along with other roles, I value being Chair of Waimate St John, an active member of Rotary, and enjoy communicating and working with diverse communities of interest in our district. Local Government, and our rural communities, are facing many uncertainties and challenges at present with reforms coming at rapid pace. 3 Waters, Resource Management Act, Future for Local Government, and many others require experienced leadership and true community input.

I seek re-election to work with you all to challenge the centralisation of services, one size fits all proposals, and fight for equitable outcomes.

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Julie DEE

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate Ward area.

Scottish born, I have lived in the Waimate District for 15 years.

My two kids attend Waimate High School and Waimate Centennial School. I coach kids sports

and have been involved in many school & community fund-raising events.

I had ten years in business sharemilking, have worked in the dairy service industry and bring marketing/media experience.

An open communicator and strategic, big picture thinker, I will happily advocate for small groups where there is cause.

We have a duty to nurture the land that feeds us and also protect local businesses that service our community. I would like improved childcare options for working parents and sports facilities and leisure trails growing and becoming more accessible for all.

I love raising my kids in this safe, caring community and would protect small town values & qualities as it progresses.

I would be honoured to represent you and make my contribution.

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Peter COLLINS

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate Ward area.

Proposed changes to legislation from Central Government have potential to force amalgamation ending the Waimate District Councils ability to govern.

I am a 3rd generation Waimate resident and fiercely proud of what our District has to offer. Over my working career I have enjoyed being owner/operator for 2 local businesses. Family, Sport, fishing and my Christian faith are all important to me. My background includes 6 years as a Waimate District Councilor from 2013 - 2019. I currently hold positions on the Lister Home Board, the WDC Economic Development Steering Group, the Waimate2gether Committee, Total Mobility and Project Waimate. I am Community minded and challenged by the negative effects influencing our resident's well-being. I take seriously, the fiscal responsibility given to Council, and I believe that decision making should be transparent and robust. If elected, I would consider it a privilege to represent Waimate on Council.

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Rick STEVENS

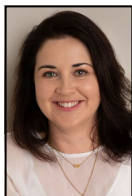
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Sarah HUGGINS

Independent

My principal place of residence is not in the Waimate Ward area.

Waimate is the place I call home, living in the district with my partner Nick and our seven year old son Quinn. We live rural and we are also farming. I have a business in town Inspire Beauty

& Skin which I have been operating now for almost fourteen years.

My strong connection with the community through boards, committees and my job allows me to listen and understand the concerns of a wide cross section of people that I come across. I believe in our town, I am motivated in continuing the ongoing developments and meeting our community needs. I feel we need a focus on keeping our assets at a local level, which insures that the voice of the community is heard at a national level. We live in challenging times and I feel it's important to empower people to have a strong voice of democracy.

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Tom WILLIAMS

My principal place of residence is in the Waimate Ward area.

Kiaora and welcome.

Ko Taketimu, ko Endeavour toku waka

These are my vessels that bought my forbears here.

Ko Aoraki toku maunga

Ko Waihao toku awa

Ko Waihao Toku Marae

Waihao is my home

Ko Joseph Heath toku Koro

Joseph Heath is my Grand father

I am very much a family orientated Grandfather, Father, son and nephew to my many family members who have settled here in the Waimate area. I put myself forward to promote and protect our Waimate District Council and to decisively represent our community respectively. The passion that drives me is best practice options. The challengers are the three waters entity, Social housing and economic development.

After all said and done we are a bi-cultural town and district with multi-ethnicities.

Owned and operated

Thank you Kind Regards Ba Soc Sci Thomas Joseph Williams