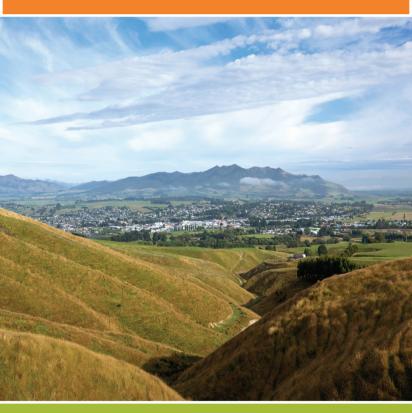
Põtitanga Kawanatanga ā Rohe **2022 Local Government Elections** 



**Voting closes at 12 noon on Saturday 8 October 2022** 



# Pārongo me ngā Kōrero Kaitono Information & Candidate Profiles









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The successful candidates make decisions that affect us all every day. You will find all or some of these positions on your voting document:

- The Mayor is the leader of the City or District Council.
- The City or District Council provides communities with a wide range of local services and facilities. Councils make decisions to improve community wellbeing including key infrastructure (e.g. water supply, sewerage, roads), local regulations, recreational facilities, parks, planning and building issues. The council may be elected 'at-large' or divided into wards (including general or Māori).
- The Regional Council makes decisions about functions best delivered at a regional scale such as natural resource management (e.g. quality of water, allocation of water, land and soil, coastal planning, plant and pest control), regional transport, and civil defence and emergency management. Unitary Authorities perform the functions of both City or District Councils and Regional Councils. The regional council is divided into constituencies (which may be general or Māori).
- A Licensing Trust exists to sell alcohol responsibly through premises in the trust area and decide how surplus profits are returned to the community. Community and other Trusts support charitable work. Licensing Trusts may be divided into wards.

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- E whakarārangihia ana ngā kaitono i te pepa pöti i raro i te pōtitanga e tū ana rātau.
- Kua waeheretia ā-tae te pepa pōti me tēnei pukapuka kāhua hei āwhina i a koe ki te hono i te pōtitanga me ngā kāhua kaitono.
- Kei roto pea i tēnei pukapuka ētahi atu pōtitanga kāore i te hāngai ki a koe.

Ka tuku whakatau ngā kaitono angitu e pā ana ki a tātou katoa i ia rā. Ka kite pea koe i ēnei tūranga katoa, i ētahi rānei i runga i tō pepa pōti:

- Ko te Koromatua te kaiārahi i te Kaunihera Tāonenui, Kaunihera ā-Takiwā rānei.
- Ka whakarato te Kaunihera Taonenui, te Kaunihera ā-Takiwā rānei i ngā momo ratonga me ngā whakaurunga paetata whānui ki ngā hapori. Ka tuku whakatau ngā Kaunihera hei whakapai ake i te oranga hapori, tae atu ki ngā hanganga matua (hei tauira, te ratonga wai, pūnaha parakaingaki, rori) ngā ture ā-rohe, whakaurunga whakangahau, ngā pāka, ngā take whakamahere, waihanga hoki. Ka pōtihia pea te Kaunihera whānui, ka whakawehea rānei ki ngā rohe pōti (tae atu ki ngā rohe pōti auraki, Māori rānei).
- Kei te Kaunihera ā-Rohe ngā whakatau mo ngā mahi e tika ana kia whakahaere ā-rohetia pērā i te whakahaere rawa taiao (hei tauira, te mauri o te wai, te tohatoha i te wai, te whenua me te oneone, ngā mahere takutai, te patu tarutaru me ngā kīrearea) te tūnuku ā-rohe, me te whakahaere whakamaru ohotata. Ka whakahaerehia e ngā Kaunihera Whakatopū ngā mahinga a ngā Kaunihera Tāonenui, ā-Takiwā rānei me ngā Kaunihera ā-Rohe. Ka whakawehea te kaunihera ā-rohe ki ngā rohe pöti (auraki, Māori rānei).
- Ko te mahi a te Tarahiti Tuku Raihana he hoko tika i te waipiro i roto i te rohe tarahiti me te whakarite me pēhea te whakahoki i ngā toenga monihua ki te hapori. Ka tautoko ngā Tarahiti Hapori me ētahi atu Tarahiti i ngā mahi ohaoha. Ka whakawehea pea ngā Tarahiti Tuku Raihana ki ngā rohe pōti.

#### Ngā rā matua mō tēnei pōtitanga



#### Põhitia

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## Ka kati ngā pōti

ā te 12 i te rā-tū, Rāhoroi, 8 o Whiringa-ā-nuku 2022

**Kei te hiahia āwhina anō?** Ka taea e koe te tono ki tētahi atu ki te āwhina i a koe ki te māka i te pepa mēnā kāore i te pai tō kite, he uaua rānei ki a koe te pānui, te tuhi, te kōrero Ingarihi rānei. Mēnā kāore koe i te tino mārama me aha koe, kua tuhi hapa rānei e kore e taea te whakatika kia mārama, whakapā atu ki te kaiwhakahaere pōti mā te nama i runga i te pepa pōti.

# Gore District Council Mayoralty Electing the Mayor



Ben BELL Team Hokonui

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

Ben enjoys making the most of what the Gore District has to offer. He will listen to our community's views on three waters reform, Local Government and RMA reform; and, as Mayor,

wants to provide a strong leadership voice for Gore District's future

Ben is keen to build on the great things in Gore, attract other young people here, encourage business growth, events and activities, and support our senior citizens.

An experienced tech entrepreneur and business owner, Ben is an internationally accredited startup facilitator, TEDx speaker and won Young Wellingtonian of the Year in 2016. He is a Canadian certified Ski instructor; and gained scholarships from Rotary, Massey University and Stanford.

Ben has experience in Council, leading regional projects on water/hydrology and emergency management. A passionate community builder, Ben created a 300-person strong innovation network, sparked a community-led economic development agency, and represented New Zealand's startup community in Italy.

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# Tracy HICKS

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

Currently Mayor of Gore District, I am married to Robyn and am a father & grandfather. A lifelong, loyal Eastern Southlander. 25 years in business & community involvement in rugby, Women's

Refuge, Rotary, Lions, civil defence, Community Trust, health services, World Vision. I provide 30-plus years Local Government commitment as a Councillor, Chair and Mayor. I bring a people-first attitude, big picture views and motivation to lead an open, forward-looking team. I offer availability, commitment, experience, fairness, energy and a future focus tempered by common sense.

I am standing for Mayor to enhance the positives of a great district and lead a team toward affordable development and progress across our community, focusing on attracting new residents and businesses alongside support for the existing. I offer a quiet, determined approach directed at maximizing opportunities. Being your Mayor is a privilege and challenge I welcome. I respectfully seek your support.

#### Gore District Council Council - At Large Electing 3 Councillors



#### Liz ADAMS-GRAY

My principal place of residence is in the Council - At Large area.

Better known as Liz, I grew up in Mataura as Mayor Henderson's daughter where I learned Local Body Service and Politics 1st hand and the commitment it takes.

Although my work experience was put on hold due to waiting for Hip Surgery, I have spent the past 3 years working online full time as a Digital Warrior, expanding my education to the point I believe, I will be a useful Councilor and representative for all who live in the Gore District.

I stand for the Right to Life, Liberty, Health and Happiness for All, within the Law.

If Elected, I will fight with passion to ensure the decisions made will be beneficial for us now and the generations to come. We are about to experience many changes in our world and the future will be our chance to move forward from past mistakes in a positive way.



#### Steven Boko DIXON

My principal place of residence is in the Council - At Large area. I am also standing for Mataura Community Board.

Hi, I am Steven Boko Dixon. I am standing for the Gore district council under the category of councillor at large.

At this moment in time, I am Senior Vice President of the Mataura RSA, on the Mataura Community Board, also a rural Fire officer.

My main reason I am standing for council is because like most of you, I am concerned with the millions of dollars council is spending with no let-up in sight.

Yes, we need to put money into rural roads and our 3 waters. There are areas we can look at saving money. My prime focus is to keep rate increases down and address our rising debt levels. I need your vote because I care about our communities. Ask me your questions and I will do my best to find you the answers.

# Gore District Council Council - At Large Electing 3 Councillors



# **Keith HOVELL**

**Positive Change** 

My principal place of residence is in the Council - At Large area.

Having served the community for 18 years as Planning advisor to the Council, I understand the issues concerning residents and the opportunities available for development within the District.

While retaining the values important to the community, I want to address those issues and realise the district's full potential. I will strive for the best value from ratepayer dollars, providing the services sought by the community, and ensuring the 3Waters process and new planning regulations work for us all. I am motivated and have the skills to achieve that. I have two daughters and five grandchildren. My relaxation is fishing, enhancing the natural values of my rural-residential

I have two daughters and five grandchildren. My relaxation is fishing, enhancing the natural values of my rural-residential property and golf at Gore Golf Club, where I am a committee member.

By listening and working with you, I can make a positive contribution to the future of the District and its people.

Email: keith@hovell.co.nz or Facebook: Keith 4 Gore Councillor.



#### Richard MCPHAIL

My principal place of residence is in the Council - At Large area.

I feel privileged to have served Gore in my first term as a councillor and Chair of the Community Strategy committee. I am proud of Gore and Eastern Southland. The past 3 years have been

challenging, we took initiatives to build on our district. We have had success but with this came change to the way we lived and functioned. I felt the energy of the community on many occasions. The coming three years will be no different with pressures from legislation, Central Government and the global economic situation. Waste management change and new residential housing projects are now a reality. On the horizon we have major decisions around land use, 3 Waters and our ever-changing communities demands. We are well placed to advance and develop our strategies. I offer myself to be reelected to listen to the community and face these challenges.

#### Gore District Council Council - At Large Electing 3 Councillors



#### Joe STRINGER

Team Hokonui

My principal place of residence is in the Council - At Large area.

Having built from scratch and run Yrless Limited an internet business for the last 15 years with local support, Joe has managed to provide better internet and technology services to people who'd

been overlooked by the larger companies. Joe believes this has given him a firm lesson in staff management, accounting, frugality when needed, and how to invest and maintain critical infrastructure.

With a farming background, and continued involvement in the family farm at Waikaka, Joe is well aware that legislation and pipe dreams are now having massive impacts on not just farming but all local industries, be it environmental, H&S, staffing, and rates.

Gore is the hub with many great satellite towns, we should be encouraging development here to keep the Gore District alive and healthy. All people in our district have great ideas, and voices to be heard, which Joe will represent if elected.



## **Glenys DICKSON**

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

As an experienced Councillor, listening and advocating for the people of the district is most important to me.

My record will show, I have and will continue to stand for better public engagement.

Streets Alive infrastructure was a clear example of Council not listening to their community and we must do better.

Ratepayers need to get substantial value for their hard-earned money and I will continue to seek a fairer, sustainable rating system, careful fiscal management, and value for money. I am a councillor who recognises that a healthy environment and community wellbeing is important to us all.

I am concerned, mandates from Government are implemented without listening to our ratepayers.

Having worked and brought up a family in the area is valuable when welcoming newcomers to live, work and do business in the district.

The next three years will be challenging for Council. We need to make progress, together.



#### **Nick GRANT**

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

My name is Nick Grant and I am seeking my second term on the Gore District Council Gore Ward. I have lived in Gore since 1995, am married to Dione and we have 3 boys all attending St

Peters College. We enjoy raising our children in the lovely Gore district.

The last 3 years have seen so many changes on how we conduct our services for our district, with plenty more in the pipe line. I enjoy communicating with the public, listening to their concerns and views on how our town should be run and taking those back to council.

I feel prepared to take on whatever faces us, as a council and a community, coming into the future of our district.



#### **Bret HIGHSTED**

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

4th generation local, Aged 53 married to Nicky with 4 children.

A privilege to serve five terms on Council, currently Chair of the Audit & Risk Committee.

Employed as a General Manager/Director with an extensive background in Finance & Business Management.

I bring experience, common sense, sound judgement, integrity

and a positive contribution.

We have some significant challenges to address such as government intervention in 3 waters, reform, review of

recycling options & inflationary pressures.

Regardless we must continue to provide value to ratepayers and look for opportunities to progress our District, especially in areas that will provide employment & attract people to live here.

I value the opportunity to serve the people of the Gore District for a further term, a time where experience will count. I do live in the Gore District but the boundary for the Ward is 80 metres away.



#### **Robert Caveman MCKENZIE**

Team Hokonui

My principal place of residence is in the Gore Ward area

Robert McKenzie AKA Caveman is a Gore Local, having lived in Gore for 63 years. Caveman is the Studio Manager of CAVE FM, and over nine years has grown a little community station into a

commercial radio station broadcasting globally. Previously Caveman worked as a qualified tradie, serving his apprenticeship with Jones and Cooper. He also worked for Alliance and Livestock Supplies Ltd; so has valuable trade and rural connections.

Passionate about music, the community, and local events, Caveman has been a strong supporter of Gore District's homegrown talent, and helped create musical showcases for singers and talented musicians, giving some their first experience on radio.

Caveman loves to live here, and wants to build on the great things we enjoy about Gore. Actively promoting and supporting local events, Caveman is a big believer in supporting local businesses; and wants a Council that makes good decisions and represents their community.



#### **Paul MCPHAIL**

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

It has always been a goal of mine to stand for our local council and I would sincerely value the opportunity. I believe we are fortunate to live in a community with great facilities which my wife

Kymm and I appreciate and utilise. Over the years I have been heavily involved in the community through business, Gore Musical Theatre and repertory. Currently I am Manager of St James Theatre. I understand the difficulties and challenges faced by the council and I would commit to doing my best for the district. As a local boy I grew up, was educated, and worked here. The experience of having lived and travelled overseas extensively enhances my interest in seeing that the best use is made of our local resources for the benefit of everyone. So please return a Yes vote for Paul McPhail, Gore Ward. Thank you.



#### **Stephen MCSTAY**

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

Hi! My name is Stephen McStay. I am married to Gretchen and we have three grown children. I have been a member of the Gore Rural district for twenty plus years, and until recently was self

employed as a sheep and beef farmer running a small contracting business. We have now moved to Gore and I am seeking election on the Gore Council.

I believe that we need prudent leadership in council so that we do not further burden our ratepayers, at this time. My experience having been self employed has given me insight of the importance of this.

Gore is a great rural town with a vibrant community and it would be a pleasure to represent our people.



#### **Bronwyn Anne REID**

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

Raised in Mataura living in Gore for 51 years, I have a long history and many volunteer involvements within the Gore District community, making me a strong advocate for our district and

the benefits of living here.

Having served as a councillor for 6 years, I have experienced first-hand how crucial good governance and leadership are to a successful council.

Having the privilege of representing the Gore District as Deputy Mayor, I believe I have proven my ability to bring effective, inclusive, and positive contributions on behalf of ratepayers to the table.

With many ratepayers on low or fixed incomes and costs of living high, prudent spending is essential to achieving critical results within our financial boundaries.

Being proactive and working to find solutions is what motivates me.

Honestly, integrity, and hard work are values I hold in life, and I will uphold if elected for a further term.



Janeen RETI Team Hokonui

My principal place of residence is in the Gore Ward area

Janeen is an energetic, vibrant working mum, raising three boys alongside her business, Crew Collective. She is passionate about recycling and reuse, ensuring community support is available to

address everyone's needs, and that Council invests its funds wisely.

Janeen wants to see water issues addressed; and an overall improvement in water quality for the future. She was raised on a sheep and beef farm in Cattle Flat, and her father and brother are still on the family farm today.

As a professional hairdresser, Janeen has worked in Queenstown, Christchurch and Australia, building up 18 years' industry experience. She returned home to build her business and raise her family.

Janeen brings courage, momentum and perseverance to Council. She is experienced in overcoming challenges, having started her business during the pandemic with an 18-month old in tow. She is also keen to see that working parents have quality childcare options available.



#### Reuben Rupi TURIPA

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

Reuben is a Gore local and has lived in Maruawai for many years. He is a big believer in transparency and accountability and wants to see more community input included in council

decisions, particularly the three waters reform.

Reuben will inform and engage the public on a wider scale; and ask the hard, uncomfortable questions for the benefit of the community. He will ensure the Council invests in social support groups e.g. youth development, addiction support for people who need help.

A talented musician, he has played at a range of events, including the annual Christmas in the park. Reuben currently works for Alliance after spending 28 years in the shearing industry.

Christianity is a cornerstone of Reuben's values, and he has connected strongly with the views of Groundswell. I know what it is to have nothing I know what it is to have plenty. Philippians 4:12



#### **Gina ADCOCK**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

Gina is a local property owner in Mataura. She holds her morals and values very close to her heart, Believes in democracy, freedom, transparency & accountability.

As an online marketer, she understands the importance of relationships and having good communication within those relationships, in addition to maintaining mutual respect between each party.

Seeing both sides & the bigger picture comes naturally to her. Gina cares about her community & what the future will look like for the community. Her goal is to bring a positive impact to her community. Be a voice for the locals & standing up for the wants of the community, doing her part to create an environment in which the locals can thrive.

Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country, John F. Kennedy.



#### **Nicky COATS**

My principal place of residence is not in the Mataura Community Board area.

I would like the opportunity to be on the Mataura Community Board. I am passionate about Mataura and would like to see it thriving for the future generations.

I believe that my involvement within Mataura since I married my husband Matthew and having our children, opening my photography studio on Bridge Street, leading Mataura Mainly Music at the Presbyterian Church, volunteering at the Bunker on Friday nights and during school holidays and being a member of the Mataura Youth Centre Trust has given me the experience to be the voice to represent our Town to the Gore District Council on matters that are important to us.

Mataura is a fantastic place to live, with our beautiful river and community spirit we need to ensure that we are listened to. It would be my privilege to represent you on any matters that are concerning for the future of our town.



#### Matu-Taera COLEMAN-CLARKE

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

Kia ora, ko Matu-Taera Coleman-Clarke ahau. I was born in Gore but, grew up in Mataura. I am currently the Cultural Advisor for the Hokonui Runanga. My main line of work has been in

education as a teacher aide, tutor of Maori Performing Arts and Te Rea Maori in various schools across the district. My desire is to build a better future, for the generations to come. I want to be a voice for our youth.

Gore High School 2007 - 2009 Tuia - Mayoral Mentorship Program Member of Technology Tikanga project Leader of Oho Ake kapa-haka



#### Steven Boko DIXON

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area. I am also standing for Council - At Large.

Hi, I am Steven Boko Dixon. At this moment in time, I am Senior Vice President of the Mataura RSA, on the Mataura Community Board, also a

rural Fire officer.

I am seeking re-election to the Mataura Community Board. I am hoping to get some of the unfinished projects across the line and help guide the future of Mataura. If Mataura Thrives, the rest of the district thrives.



#### **Darren MATAHIKI**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

My name is Darren Matahiki and I am Mataura born and bred. I currently work at Fonterra and have worked in Mataura's main stay industries of the shearing sheds and the freezing works and

along with all from our town, strive to see our town succeed both in the present and the future. I am on the executive committee for the RSA and Mataura rugby football club of which I am a life member and enjoy watching all grades excel. My outlook for our town is to make it an inviting destination and to appreciate the potential it has in both community based opportunities and culture.



## Tanya ROWLING

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

My name is Tanya Rowling, I am standing for the Mataura Community board.

I have lived in Mataura for the last 11 years. I feel it is time I put more into the community I have

come to love.

At present I am the manager of the Mataura RSA, Previously I have worked in HR at VetSouth and managed the Gore SPCA for many years until 2015 including opening the Mataura Op shop in 2011.

I believe Mataura can be a strong vibrant town. I would like to be a part of this. I am highly motivated and feel I have a lot to offer.

I believe that the local rate payers should be receiving more benefits for the money that is collected by our local council. Being a poor cousin to Gore needs to change.



#### **Melissa STORER**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

My name is Melissa Storer and have lived in the Gore area for over 7 years now.

Moving to Mataura 3 years ago to a lifestyle block on the outskirts of Mataura. I'm passionate

Mataura and call it my home. I am the owner of the Country Cottage Cafe here in Mataura. Things I do in my down time are Horse Riding and family time.



#### **Colleen TE AU**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area. I am also standing for Ward 3 (Mataura) of the Mataura Licensing Trust. I was born in Eastern Southland, lived overseas and around the country in my younger years and we moved our family to Mataura in 2019. I am a

Community Advisor at the Department of Internal Affairs. My duties include all things Community Development and the distribution of Lottery Funding and Government Community Organisation Grants (COGS) funding.

I work closely with groups and organisations across the region. I have nearly 15 years experience across government, local government and iwi community initiatives. I have worked in agriculture, business, customer service, sales and a number of volunteer roles.

My priorities are that Mataura is receiving the resources agreed by rate payers, that issues raised by Mataura residents are taken seriously. I fully support efforts to reopen the community pool, crime prevention and harm reduction in our town including creating opportunities for employment and supporting existing businesses. I am focussed on solutions, not excuses.



#### Laurel TURNBULL

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

As a lifetime resident of Mataura I am very passionate about our town and concerned what the future holds for it.

My husband and I brought our 4 children up here and have been involved in many of the towns activities, Play Centre, Fire Brigade, Brownies etc.

I have also been our local Councillor for a term and also served on the Community Board.

As well I also led the Taskforce for several years and we brought about change for the better in Mataura.

As many of you will remember I was also instrumental in getting the Ouveaux mix removed from the Paper mill buildings which was achieved after many years of lobbying.

If successful in obtaining a position on the Community Board once again rest assured, I will do my utmost to bring about good outcomes for our town.



#### **Constance WAIHAPE**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Community Board area.

Future Proofing Mataura I have lived in Mataura for 40+years raising a

family and running a business. I believe as a Community Board member I have the experience, commitment, and the drive to work as part of a team to ensure Mataura becomes the place of choice to work, raise a family and

or retire.
I'm committed to working together with the board to develop a vibrant, diverse, and thriving township and providing a strong foundation for the future.

I would also like to thank the current board for there time and commitment to our community over the last term.

He waka eke noa

Were all in this together

# Mataura Licensing Trust Ward 2 - Gore Electing 3 Trust Members



#### Jimmy ALLISON

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Licensing Trust area.

My wife Carole and I have resided in Gore for the last thirty-five years. I have worked in the shearing, farming and meat industries plus owned my own business for twenty-five years.

This community has been good to us and having retired I now have the time to devote back to the Gore District.

I was elected to the Mataura Licensing Trust five years ago. If reelected, I hope to represent our community as I have in the past. Gore has many local assets, many of which have been made possible by support from your Mataura Licensing Trust. This is your Trust, owned by you, and guided by people you trust. My previous governance experience has been Mataura Licensing Trust - five years board member Gore Racing Club - Four years as President, 23 years committee member Gallop South - Seven years board member



Gore Community Patrol

## **Bryan Bunny BURGESS**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Licensing Trust area.

I, Bryan Burgess 62 years young, born and raised in Gore. Married for 33 years to Helen, with two grown up children both who live and work in Gore. I am very passionate about Gore and it's

surrounding country as I love the outdoors and the river's that flow around our township, living in Gore I have immersed myself in numerous sporting clubs and codes thru the years. I am very pleased to put my name forward for a fourth term as your Gore ward member for the MLT board as I believe that I have right attribute's and integrity to do another term. I served the last term as deputy president and learnt a lot more about the trust and it's operation.

The board has we believe operated in complete transparency with no hidden agenda which makes my focus easier to give money back to the community, our shareholders.

#### Mataura Licensing Trust Ward 2 - Gore Electing 3 Trust Members



#### Alan BYRNE

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Licensing Trust area.

My name is Alan Byrne also known as Tiny. I am a father of two and grandfather to five and am also the Country Show host on the local radio station. I love following local rugby and enjoy

representing the community. I am currently employed at Regional Ford here in Gore and have been for the last 6 years. Having had twenty two years prior experience with the MLT in the role, I am now putting my name forward for a further term and I look forward to receiving your tick.



## Craig MARSHALL

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Licensing Trust area.

Kia ora I'm Craig Marshall and I'm running for the Gore Ward. I grew up in Mataura but recently purchased a home in Gore with my partner and our three children. I have spent my working life

contributing to the local community and have over ten years' experience managing MLT establishments as recently as 2015. I will be proactive in advocating for staff, promoting their suggestions to the board. I understand the current hardship locals are facing alongside the continuing effects of the global pandemic, this is an opportunity for me to make a difference. I am young, motivated, and keen to bring fresh innovative ideas from the community. I want to ensure future generations benefit from the same opportunities MLT has provided myself and many others. We live in a great community, and I would like to be part of the team ensuring the MLT continues to prosper.

# Mataura Licensing Trust Ward 3 - Mataura Electing 1 Trust Member



#### **Brendon (Moe) MURRAY**

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Licensing Trust area.

Once again I am putting my hand up to represent the Mataura ward on the MLT board.  $\label{eq:mataura} % \begin{subarray}{l} \end{subarray} % \begin{subarray$ 

I have had great pleasure representing our ward for the last 12 years.

I'm 43 years old and married with 3 school aged children, Who are now 5th generation Mataura locals. I have lived almost all of my 43 years in Mataura and am proud to call Mataura my home.

I am the Chief Fire Officer of the Mataura Fire Brigade, Former Deputy chair of the Board of trustees of Mataura school and a past club captain and committee member of the Mataura rugby club.

I love working and fighting for our community.

I don't back down from a challenge and enjoy working with all the local groups to help them with there funding.

With your vote I hope you will once again elect myself to the board of the MLT.



#### Colleen TE AU

My principal place of residence is in the Mataura Licensing Trust area. I am also standing for Mataura Community Board.

I was born and raised in Eastern Southland, lived overseas and around the country in my younger years and we moved our family to Mataura in

2019. I am a Community Advisor at the Department of Internal Affairs. My duties include all things Community Development and the distribution of Lottery Funding and Government Community Organisation Grants (COGS) funding.

I work closely with groups and organisations across the region. I have nearly 15 years experience across government, local government and iwi community initiatives. I have worked in agriculture, business, customer service, sales and a number of volunteer roles.

It is important that any groups or organisations eligible for funding are encouraged to make applications. If I become an MLT board member for the Mataura Community my priority is on fair and equitable distribution of funds around the district. Southland Regional Council (known as Environment Southland) Eastern-Dome Constituency Electing 2 Regional Councillors



#### Alastair GIBSON

My principal place of residence is in the Eastern-Dome Constituency area.

Alastair is an experienced and accredited mediator and Agricultural Consultant. He is passionate about ensuring all of our communities in the Southland Region thrive, and that farming

succeeds in the future, while balancing our needs for the environment.

Alastair has strong governance experience, and has worked closely with the Rural Support Trust to support people during stressful times. With a depth of knowledge in business and farming, he can bring his expertise and experience to the Council table.

Not afraid to stand up for what is best for the community, Alastair believes he can provide a clear voice for the people who live in the Eastern Dome area, and make sure their issues are heard.

Married with four adult children, Alastair believes in honesty and integrity. If elected, Alastair will provide a firm hand in guiding the Council to be transparent and accountable to its ratepayers.



## Jeremy MCPHAIL

My principal place of residence is in the Eastern-Dome Constituency area.

Married to Annabelle with three children Josie, Eden and Nate.

Together we operate 540 ha farm in Waikaka Valley involving Dairy and Beef and Contracting

Business.

I am standing for a third term on the Southland Regional Council (Environment Southland).

Currrent positions on council include:

Chair of The Regional Services Committee

Chair of the Property Working Party

Other governance positions include St Marys School BOT (9 years)

What I have learnt in the two terms I have been on the council is, it is crucial to have the right people around the table to ask the right questions and to challenge decisions made by Central Government when the practicalities of those decisions are difficult to implement on the ground.

The best form of regulation is education and information. I know our community is already heading in the right direction when it comes to environment outcomes.

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#### **Danny MITCHELL**

My principal place of residence is in the Eastern-Dome Constituency area.

Hi, I'm Danny. I am a farmer in Northern Southland. I am standing as I believe that we need to cut the red tape imposed by government and council, be more effective with tax dollars

and reduce/stabilise council rates. I'm strongly opposed to the 3 waters reforms. As a council member I will be a reasonable voice for farmers and a voice against government overreach.



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