

TE RŪNANGA O NGĀTI WHĀTUA TRUST BOARD NOTICE OF ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS CALLING FOR NOMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Sec 46 of the Māori Trust Boards Act 1955, an election will be held on Friday 30 August 2024 for eleven (11) Board Members for the Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua Trust Board, for a three (3) year term.

Where the number of valid nominations received for a Takiwā exceeds the number of positions to be filled, an election will be held under the First Past the Post electoral system, by postal and online voting.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations are called for, from the five (5) Takiwā, being Northern Wairoa, Otamatea, Whangārei, South Kaipara and Ōrākei to fill the eleven (11) positions on the Trust Board. The number of positions available for each Takiwā to fill include:

- Northern Wairoa Takiwā - four (4) positions;
- Otamatea Takiwā - three (3) positions;
- Whangārei Takiwā - one (1) position;
- South Kaipara Takiwā - two (2) positions;
- Ōrākei Takiwā - one (1) position.

Nominations for the eleven (11) positions open on Friday 31 May 2024 and close at 5pm on Thursday 27 June 2024. Nominations must be made on an official nomination paper available from Friday 31 May 2024:

- by accessing www.ngatiwhatua.iwi.nz
- by accessing www.electionservices.co.nz/ngatiwhatua
- by emailing info@electionservices.co.nz or
- by phoning the Returning Office on 0800 922 822

Subject to Sec 14(3) of the Māori Trust Boards Act 1955, an Adult Registered Beneficiary of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua shall not be eligible for nomination as a candidate for election as a Board Member if he or she is;

- a person who is subject to a personal order or a property order made under the Protection of Personal Property Rights Act 1988 or for whom a trustee corporation is acting as manager under section 32 or 33 of that Act; or
- a bankrupt who has not obtained his order of discharge, or whose order of discharge is suspended for a term not yet expired, or is subject to conditions not yet fulfilled; or
- a person convicted of any offence punishable by imprisonment for a term of 6 months or longer, unless he has received a free pardon or has served his sentence or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed upon him.

All candidates must be Adult Registered Beneficiaries (18 years of age or over) of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua, and must also be nominated by five (5) Adult Registered Beneficiaries recorded on the Register of beneficiaries for Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua and affiliated to the Takiwā the candidate is standing for.

Nomination materials must be in writing and received by the Secretary of the Board **no later than 5pm, Thursday 27 June 2024.**

All signatures (candidate and nominators) must be witnessed by 1 or more other adult persons.

A candidate may at any time withdraw their nomination by written notice to the Board.

Retiring board members are eligible for re-election.

REGISTER TO VOTE

To vote you must be recorded as an Adult Registered Beneficiary on the Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua Beneficiaries Register by 5pm, Thursday 27 June 2024, when the roll will close for electoral purposes.

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua invites qualified persons aged 18 years or over, who have not already registered, to apply for inclusion in the Register. Those persons who are unsure if they are currently registered, or who wish to check their own details are encouraged to contact Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua office on (09) 470 0720 or uri.registrations@ngatiwhatua.iwi.nz

Registration forms can be accessed online from www.ngatiwhatua.iwi.nz/registration.

Dated at Whangārei, 29 May 2024

Dale Ofoske, Returning Officer
Independent Election Services Ltd
for Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua

