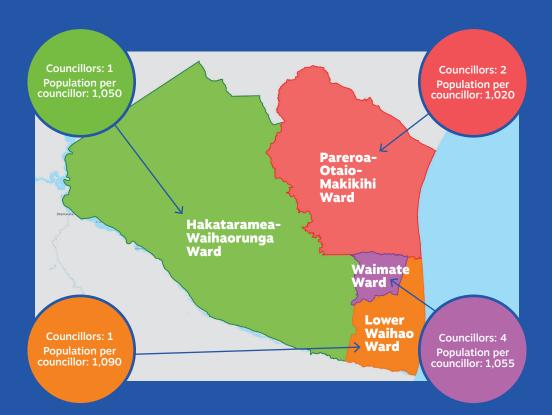
## Initial proposal for representation arrangements for the 2025 and 2028 local elections

#### **Consultation Document**





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Council wishes to thank the community for their response to the pre-engagement survey. Results of the survey can be found on Council's website **waimatedc.govt.nz/repreview** 

On 28 May 2024 the Waimate District Council reviewed its representation arrangements, pursuant to section 19H of the Local Electoral Act 2001, and resolved that the following proposal applies for the elections to be held in 2025 and 2028.

#### **Council representation**

It is proposed that the Council comprise eight (8) members elected from the four (4) wards, and the Mayor elected at large. (Status quo)

The four wards reflect the following communities of interest. (Status quo)

Wards	Plan Numbers*	Population**	Councillors	Population per Councillor
Hakataramea Waihaorunga Ward	SO Plan 19416	1,050	1	1,050
Pareora-Otaio-Makikihi Ward	SO Plan 301222	2,040	2	1,020
Lower Waihao Ward	SO Plan 386465	1,090	1	1,090
Waimate Ward	SO Plan 386466	4,220	4	1,055
Total		8,400	8	1,050 average

\*Communities of interest are the areas delineated on the plan numbers above and deposited with Land Information New Zealand \*\*Statistics NZ population estimates as at 30 June 2023.

In accordance with section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, the population that each member represents must be within the range of 1,050 + 10%, unless particular community of interest considerations justify otherwise. All four wards are within the stipulated range.

#### Reasons

- Overwhelming results from our pre-engagement community survey.
- All wards comply with the legislative requirements and provide for fair representation.
- The existing ward structure is well understood by the electors.
- Council is satisfied that the existing structure will continue to provide effective representation for the district's communities of interest.
- No significant changes have occurred since 2018 to indicate that the Council should be proposing changes to the representation arrangements at this time.

#### **Submissions invited**

Persons with an interest in the proposed representation arrangements are invited to make written submissions.

- Online at waimatedc.govt.nz/repreview
- Email to submission@waimatedc.govt.nz
- Post to Representation Review 2024 Submission, Waimate District Council, PO Box 122, Waimate 7960
- Deliver to Council reception, 125 Queen Street, Waimate

#### **Further information**

An information pack is available online at **waimatedc.govt.nz/repreview** and at Council reception, 125 Queen Street, Waimate

All submissions must be received by 12pm on Wednesday 10 July 2024

Stuart Duncan Chief Executive 10 June 2024



# Representation Review Initial Proposal SUBMISSION FORM

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