

Notice is hereby given that an ordinary meeting of the Horowhenua District Council will be held on:

Date: Wednesday 22 May 2024

Time: 12:00 pm

Meeting Room: Council Chambers Venue: 126-148 Oxford St

Levin

# Council OPEN LATE AGENDA

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

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# **Electra Trust 2024 Trustee Elections**

File No.: 24/330

### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this report, is for Council to decide the two candidates that Horowhenua District Council will vote for in the upcoming the Electra Trust Election 2024.

#### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That Report 24/330 Electra Trust 2024 Trustee Elections be received.
- 2.2 That this matter or decision be recognised as not significant in terms of s76 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- 2.3 That the Horowhenua District Council proceeds/does not proceed with exercising its voting rights for the Electra Trust, 2024 Trustee Elections.

## 3. Background/Previous Council Decisions

Each Electra account holder is an elector for the purpose of the Electra Trustee election. Council is the holder of 153 accounts, and is now in receipt of the same number of voting papers, which it may choose to cast for the 2024 Trustee election.

Voting closes at 12 noon on Friday 7 June 2024.

#### 4. Issues for Consideration

Council needs to determine whether it will or will not proceed with exercising its voting rights for the Electra Trust 2024 Trustee elections. Over the past few years Council has exercised its voting rights.

Should Council decide to proceed to exercise its voting rights for the Electra Trust 2024 Trustee elections, candidates for election are:

- Penny GAYLOR
- Corey KENNETT
- Neil MACKAY
- John YEOMAN

The candidate profiles are attached to this report.

The Electra Trust owns Electra. Trustees are elected to the Trust to represent everyone connected to the Electra network. They are elected for a three year term and by rotation three positions are subject to election every two years.

The candidates above have offered themselves for this year's Trustee election.

The method of casting Council's vote involves an open voting process whereby each member casts up to three votes, with the three highest polling candidates receiving the full number of the Council voting allocation.



#### **Attachments**

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#### **Confirmation of statutory compliance**

In accordance with section 76 of the Local Government Act 2002, this report is approved as:

- a. containing sufficient information about the options and their advantages and disadvantages, bearing in mind the significance of the decisions; and,
- b. is based on adequate knowledge about, and adequate consideration of, the views and preferences of affected and interested parties bearing in mind the significance of the decision.

# **Signatories**

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# 2024 TRUSTEE ELECTIONS CANDIDATE PROFILES

Election of THREE (3) Trustees

Disclaimer: The Returning Officer for Electra Trust accepts no responsibility for the content or accuracy contained in the statements as supplied by the candidates.

#### Penny **GAYLOR**

This Electra Trust role is an opportunity to help prepare our community infrastructure for the future needs of a growing population throughout the Horowhenua and Kapiti Coast, at a time when we have an increasing dependence and preference for renewable energy.



As the Kapiti Coast representative on the Greater Wellington Regional Council, I chair both the Environment Committee, and the Climate Committee, and sit on the Board of the Sky Stadium.

By combining my extensive governance experience with my environmental interests, I'm committed to improving the wellbeing of our community by ensuring Electra focuses on providing security of electricity supply.

#### Corey **KENNETT**

GradDipBusStuds, MInstD.

I am privileged to be considered as a trustee for the Electra Trust.

With over 15 years' experience as the CEO for Horowhenua Kapiti Rugby Football Union, I have developed a deep understanding of the needs and



aspirations of the Horowhenua and Kapiti communities. This insight into local community dynamics positions me very well to contribute effectively to the Trust's objectives. I am particularly attuned to the significance of the annual sales discount provided to beneficiaries by the Electra

I am a trustee for the Eastern and Central Community Trust (ECCT), which has provided me with invaluable experience in governance and community development. Serving on the Investment Committee of ECCT, I have had the privilege of contributing to funding outcomes that have positively impacted our community. I am immensely proud of these accomplishments and am committed to leveraging my expertise to deliver results for beneficiaries as a trustee with Electra Trust.

As a dedicated and passionate professional, I am deeply invested in serving my community and actively seek opportunities to enhance the well-being of individuals. My ethos of lifelong learning is exemplified by my current enrolment in an Executive Masters in Business Administration Degree at Massey University.

#### Neil MACKAY

BCA

I am currently the Chair of the Kapiti Economic Development Kotahitanga Board which is working with businesses, the community and investors to grow and develop our economy. Also, Director of an innovative eco-friendly wastewater treatment technology company



Previously I was a director of Electra for 12 years, the last 3 as Chair until 2019. The company was then, and is still, regarded as one of the best performing lines companies in the country. During my time as a director, we frequently increased consumer discount and I will continue to work on behalf of the consumer to ensure that discount will be maximised.

I have extensive governance and executive management experience across a wide range of sectors in NZ and Overseas, including Energy sector roles in Australia and Hong Kong.

Electra is facing challenges on many fronts; rising costs, decarbonisation commitments and our regional growth.

The Trust needs the right set of skills and experience to support the company and consumers to successfully navigate its way through these challenges.

I have a proven track record as both a director and trustee of Electra and seek your support for re-election to continue to safeguard your interests.

#### John **YEOMAN**

BBS, ACA, FGNZ

I am currently an Electra Trustee and am seeking re-election.

I'm committed to maintaining Trust/local ownership. My considerable financial and commercial management skills are used to support the trustees to monitor Electra's performance to ensure it continues to deliver a strong annual discount to you.



As the previous Chief Executive of Electra from 2002 until my retirement in May 2014, I guided Electra through the many industry changes while continuing to deliver profit growth and increased discounts to the electricity consumers in Kapiti and Horowhenua.

In addition to my work with the Electra Trust, I am Chair of the Kapiti Retirement Trust and until recently served on the Board of ETNZ (Energy Trusts of NZ).

I live in Paraparaumu and am a member of the Chartered Accountants ANZ.