

# RANGITĀNE TŪ MAI RĀ TRUST 2024 ELECTION OF TRUSTEES CANDIDATE INFORMATION SHEET

This information sheet has been prepared as a guide to assist candidates and others with general information on the election. Candidates or other persons requiring more detailed information should contact the election helpline – 0800 666 047 in the first instance.

# **RETURNING OFFICER**

The Returning Officer for this election is Anthony Morton. He can be contacted during normal business hours on 0800 666 047 or iro@electionz.com.

## **KEY DATES FOR the 2024 ELECTION**

Nominations Open	Monday 2 September
Nominations Close	Noon, Friday 27 September
If election required	
Dispatch of voting papers to adult registered members (Voting opens)	by Friday 18 October
Voting closes Wahi Pooti/AGM	Saturday 16 November
Results Released	by Monday 18 November

### **ELECTION DETAILS**

The Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust is the post settlement governance entity, or PSGE, for Rangitāne o Wairarapa and Rangitāne o Tamaki nui-ā-Rua.

The Trust was established in March 2014 to receive and manage the Treaty settlement assets. Those settlement assets were transferred to the Trust from the Crown in October 2017. The Trust is now responsible for the overall management of those assets, including through subsidiaries.

The Trust is currently governed by a board of six trustees. The Trust Deed stipulates that the trustees are to be elected on a rotational basis. By rotating the election of trustees, a majority of experienced trustees will always be available.

Four trustees must retire by rotation at the 2024 AGM, creating 4 ordinary vacancies. In addition, a further extraordinary vacancy exists from an earlier resignation which has a remaining term of office of two years. All retiring trustees can stand for election if they wish and provided they continue to meet the eligibility criteria.

### **MEETING REQUIREMENTS**

The Board generally meets monthly by zoom (during the evenings), the Board meets kanohi ki te kanohi at each quarterly hui. Meetings are generally held within the Rangitāne takiwā, usually at Pūkaha National Wildlife Centre, State Highway 2, Mount Bruce.

#### REMUNERATION

The level of remuneration for elected trustees is set annually at the AGM.

Trustees will also be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred while carrying out approved work on the Trust's behalf. Trustees can claim a mileage fee to attend trustee meetings and other meetings that arise as part of their representation duties.

#### **TERM OF OFFICE**

The Trust Deed specifies a 4 year term of office for ordinary vacancies. Trustees elected to the ordinary vacancies in this election cycle will hold office until the conclusion of the 2028 AGM.

#### **NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS**

Nominations must be made on an official nomination form and be received by the Returning Officer no later than 12 noon on Friday 27 September 2024. Delivery address details are included on the nomination form. (Note: the Returning Officer does not recommend submitting nomination forms by post. The preferred delivery method is to scan and email the completed nomination form to nominations@electionz.com). In the event that more than three valid nominations are received an election will be held amongst registered adult members by postal and internet voting and ballot box at the AGM.

Candidates must be adult (over 18) individually registered and verified members and their names must appear on the Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust Register of members. Each nomination must be supported by two other adult members who must sign the nomination form.

### **CANDIDATE ELIGIBILTY**

The Trust Deed lists eligibility criteria for candidates. These are listed on the reverse side of the nomination form. Candidates should check those eligibility criteria before completing the nomination form.

#### **CANDIDATE PROFILE STATEMENTS**

The Trust Deed allows for candidate profiles to be provided by each candidate with the nomination form. If an election is required, these are collated by the Returning Officer and forwarded to registered beneficiaries with the voting papers.

#### **Candidate Profile Statements:**

- **Must not exceed 250 words** (The word limit will be strictly enforced).
- **Must** be submitted with the candidate's nomination form, (preferably in electronic format i.e. as a Word document emailed to the Returning Officer) and
- Must be confined to information concerning the candidate, and the candidate's policies and intentions if elected to the Board; and
- May include a recent (i.e. less than one year old) head and shoulders photograph of the candidate only.

Photos should be submitted in colour and preferably be in an electronic, format (scanned as an attachment by email), but hard copy photos will be accepted and scanned at 300 dpi by the Returning Officer.

(Note: hard copy photos will not be returned to candidates).

### **CANDIDATES REQUIRED TO ATTEND AGM**

In accordance with the Trust Deed candidates are required to attend the AGM.

A candidate must have very good reasons to not attend the AGM. If this is the case, you must submit your apology to info@tumaira.nz and be recorded as having attended the AGM via live stream.

Candidates that do not attend the AGM, submit their apology or attend the AGM via live stream will forfeit their nomination.

#### **ENROLMENT**

Applications for registration can continue to be processed throughout the voting period. Any applications received between 28 September and 16 November 2024 will be dealt with by way of special vote, subject to verification. Registration forms are available online at www.tumaira.nz