

INTRODUCTION

This information sheet has been prepared as a guide to assist potential candidates and other members interested in election issues with general information on the 2024 Trustee election. It should be used as a guide only, and should not be relied upon as absolute fact. It has been completed on a best endeavours basis. Candidates or other persons requiring more detailed information should contact the election helpline – 0800 666 028 or email iro@electionz.com in the first instance.

RETURNING OFFICER

The Returning Officer for this election is Anthony Morton. He can be contacted by ringing the election helpline 0800 666 028 during normal office hours or emailing iro@electionz.com.

NOMINATION & ELECTION DETAILS

The Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust (the Trust) is the entity created to receive and manage the Treaty of Waitangi settlement redress on behalf of Ngāti Pāhauwera. The trust is governed by seven trustees. Under the terms of the trust deed four of those trustees must retire later this year. Those vacancies are **ordinary** vacancies and have a term of office of four years. An initial call for nominations to fill the pending 4 vacancies on the Trust was advertised in June 2024. Since that notice was placed, the election timeframe has been amended to that listed in the table below. A further call for nominations is now made to fill the pending vacancies.

Nominations must be made on the official nomination form and be received by the Returning Officer no later than 12 noon on Tuesday 20 August 2024. Delivery address details are included on the nomination form. (Note: the Returning Officer does not recommend returning 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 four nominations are received an election will be held amongst registered adult members of the Trust by postal and internet voting.

2024 TRUSTEE ELECTION TIMETABLE (AMENDED)

Relevant key dates are:

Nominations open	Thursday 1 August 2024
Nominations close	12 noon Tuesday 20 August 2024
If an election is required	
Dispatch of voting papers to registered beneficiaries	from Friday 6 September 2024
Postal and internet voting closes	12 noon Monday 7 October 2024
Notify Public of Results	From Thursday 10 October 2024
Attend Trustee Induction	To be confirmed
AGM (elected members announced at meeting)	December 2024 (date to be confirmed)

TERM OF OFFICE

The Trust Deed requires that the Trustees can serve a term of office of no more than four years before facing re-election. The Trustees are subject to a rotation process. Under that requirement Tom Keefe, Charles Lambert, Siobhan Storey and Theresa Thornton are the trustees subject to retirement at the 2024 AGM. Providing they satisfy the eligibility criteria, the retiring trustees can stand for re-election if they choose.

CANDIDATE ATTRIBUTES

Ideally, candidates will hold the following attributes:

- Committed to upholding the values of the organisation.
- Has the requisite knowledge, qualifications and skills to fulfil the Trustee role.
- Must abide by the Ngāti Pāhauwera Code of Conduct to be punctual, respectful, maintain confidentiality and diligent in fulfilling the Trustee duties.

Trustees are expected to attend Trustee meetings in the week and sometimes in the weekends to fulfil their Governance obligations. Estimate this to be 25 days per annum as a minimum i.e. 2 days per month

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Restrictions on Trustees

Candidates for this election must sign the nomination form to declare that they:

- Accept the nomination,
- Are a registered adult member of Ngāti Pāhauwera,
- Are not currently bankrupt or insolvent,
- Have not been removed as a trustee per clause 10 of Schedule One of the trust deed,
- Have not been convicted of an indictable offence, or if so, that they list details of any such offences.

The trust deed list reasons for resignation or removal of trustees. These are listed on the nomination paper. Candidates should familiarise themselves with those provisions. Candidates will also be required to complete a Ministry of Justice - Request for Criminal Conviction History. An application form for that process is included as part of the nomination form. Applicants should complete and return that form to the Returning Officer with their nomination. Note Step 1 is already completed.

CANDIDATE PROFILE STATEMENTS

Candidates are encouraged to submit a brief candidate profile and recent photo with their completed 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

The Candidate Profile Statement must not exceed 250 words (the overall word limit will be strictly enforced).

- The profile must be plain black and white text, but special formatting (bold, italics, underlining, quote marks) is permitted.
- **Should** be submitted with the candidate's nomination paper, (preferably in electronic format i.e. as a Word document emailed to the Returning Officer and
- **Must** be confined to information concerning the candidate, their qualifications, skills, work/governance experience and the candidate's policies and intentions if elected to the Trust; and
- **May** include a recent (i.e. less than one year old) head and shoulders photograph of the candidate only. Photos should preferably be in colour and submitted 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.
(N.B. photos will not be returned to candidates).

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE

In the event an election is required, voting papers will be sent to all adult members of the Trust who have current contact details. To register or update contact details, applicants can complete a registration form, available from the Trust's website - www.ngatipahauwera.co.nz or from the Trust Office by phoning (06) 838 6869. Applicants not already enrolled and wishing to vote in the 2024 trustee election should complete the online registration process by 4 October 2024.