



## **CHRISTCHURCH CITY**

## **Candidate Information Booklet**

**2004 Local Government Elections** 



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### 1 Introduction



This booklet outlines information which may be of interest to you as a candidate in the 2004 local body elections. While the booklet is principally intended to assist candidates for the Mayoral, City Council and Community Board elections, it also contains essential information about the Canterbury Regional Council and Canterbury District Health Board elections. However, separate booklets are available for Regional Council and District Health Board candidates, giving more detailed information about the role and responsibilities of Regional Councillors and members of District Health Boards.



The elections are being conducted by postal vote with election day being Saturday 9 October 2004.



The conduct of local body elections is regulated by legislation, namely:

- Local Electoral Act 2001
- Local Electoral Regulations 2001
- Local Government Act 2002



Relevant key dates for your diary are:

Nominations Open
 Friday 23 July 2004

Nominations Close
 Delivery of Voting Papers
 Noon, Friday 20 August 2004
 Friday 17 September 2004 to
 Wednesday 22 September 2004

Election Campaigning Close
 Close of Voting
 Midnight, Friday 8 October 2004
 Noon, Saturday 9 October 2004

Preliminary Results Available
 As soon as practicable after close of voting,

Saturday 9 October 2004

Official Declaration About Saturday 16 October 2004



For further information or additional copies of this booklet, please phone (03) 941-8533.



Candidates requiring more information should contact:

For general electoral enquiries relating to all issues (ie Mayor, Council, Community Board, Canterbury Regional Council and Canterbury District Health Board)

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Christchurch email: max.robertson@ccc.govt.nz

For other enquiries

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Canterbury Regional Council phone: (03) 365-3828 ext 7123

P O Box 345 fax: (03) 365-3194

Christchurch email: peter.berry@ecan.govt.nz

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Prepared by Max Robertson, Electoral Officer, May 2004





## 2 Electoral Principles



The electoral principles contained in section 4 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 are outlined below for the information of candidates. These principles must be taken into account in the conduct of any election or poll.

#### 4 Principles

- (1) The principles that this Act is designed to implement are the following:
  - (a) fair and effective representation for individuals and communities:
  - (b) all qualified persons have a reasonable and equal opportunity to—
    - (i) cast an informed vote:
    - (ii) nominate 1 or more candidates:
    - (iii) accept nomination as a candidate:
  - (c) public confidence in, and public understanding of, local electoral processes through—
    - (i) the provision of a regular election cycle:
    - (ii) the provision of elections that are managed independently from the elected body:
    - (iii) protection of the freedom of choice of voters and the secrecy of the vote:
    - (iv) the provision of transparent electoral systems and voting methods and the adoption of procedures that produce certainty in electoral outcomes:
    - (v) the provision of impartial mechanisms for resolving disputed elections and polls.
- (2) Local authorities, electoral officers, and other electoral officials must, in making decisions under this Act or any other enactment, take into account those principles specified in subsection (1) that are applicable (if any), so far as is practicable in the circumstances.
- (3) This section does not override any other provision in this Act or any other enactment.





## 3 Electoral Systems and Voting Documents



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#### **Electoral Systems**

- Two electoral systems will be operating side by side for the 2004 elections. These are:
  - First Past the Post (FPP)
  - Single Transferable Voting (STV)

The FPP electoral system will be used for the following elections:

- Mayor, City Councillors and members of Christchurch Community Boards
- Members of the Canterbury Regional Council
- The STV electoral system will be used for the election of members of the Canterbury District Health Board.
- A public education programme is planned to be undertaken in the lead up to the elections, by the Department of Internal Affairs and the Ministry of Health explaining how the STV electoral system works.
- For more information on understanding how the STV electoral system works, access the Department of Internal Affairs website (www.stv.govt.nz)
- A comprehensive explanation on the New Zealand method of counting STV votes is found in Schedule 1A, Local Electoral Amendment Regulations 2003.
- A brief description of the STV electoral system is set out below:
  - Voters receive a single (transferable) vote no matter whether there is one vacancy or several.
  - Voters rank the candidates in order of preference. "1" next to the name of the candidate most preferred, "2" next to the name of the candidate next preferred and so on.
  - When votes are counted, all the first preferences are allocated first. To be elected, a candidate must reach a "quota" of votes, which is based on the number of vacancies and the number of valid votes.
  - A candidate who reaches the quota is elected. If there is more than one vacancy and a candidate gets more votes than the quota, a proportion of each vote for that candidate is transferred to the voter's second preference. If, as a result, another candidate gets more votes than the quota, a proportion is transferred to third preferences, and so on.
  - If insufficient candidates reach the quota after the first preferences are allocated and after any surplus votes are transferred, then the candidate who received the fewest votes is eliminated and each vote for that candidate is transferred to the voter's second preference. This process is repeated until enough candidates reach the quota to fill all the vacancies.

#### Voting Documents: Order of Candidates' Names

The names of the candidates will be arranged in random order on the voting documents, for all issues (ie Mayor, Council, Community Board, Regional Council and District Health Board). This means that the names of the candidates will appear in a different order on each and every voting document. Random order will be used because of a perception that alphabetical order unfairly favours candidates whose surnames are at or near the beginning of the alphabet. However, candidate profile statements submitted by candidates will be arranged in alphabetical order in the candidate profile booklet posted to electors with the voting documents.

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### **Election Issues**



- As a result of a determination by the Local Government Commission, the representation arrangements to apply at the 2004 Christchurch City Elections will differ substantially from those which applied in 2001. The Local Government Commission's determination resulted in:
  - The creation of six enlarged wards, created through a pairing of the 12 former wards.
  - A reduction in the number of Councillors from 24 to 12, with two Councillors being elected from each of the six enlarged wards.
  - A reduction in the number of elected community board members from 36 to 30, with five board members being elected at large across each of the six communities.

Therefore, the 2001 election results set out later in this booklet will have limited relevance for the 2004 Christchurch City Elections.

In these elections, persons may stand as:

| • | Mayor of Christchurch Ci  | ity and/or;   | )  |
|---|---|---|--|
| • | A member of the Christo   | hurch City Council and/or;  | )<br>Persons standing for any or all                                     |
| • | A member of the followin<br>Burwood/Pegasus<br>Hagley/Ferrymead<br>Spreydon/Heathcote | ng community boards:<br>Fendalton/Waimairi<br>Riccarton/Wigram<br>Shirley/Papanui | of these issues <b>cannot</b> stand for the Canterbury Regional Council. |

- · A member of the Canterbury Regional Council. (Persons standing for the Regional Council cannot stand for the Mayoralty, City Council or a Community Board.)
- · A member of the Canterbury District Health Board
- The city is divided into six wards and six communities. These are:

| Ward/Community     | No of<br>Councillors | No of Elected<br>Community Board<br>Members |
|--------------------|----------------------|---|
| Burwood/Pegasus    | 2                    | 5   |
| Fendalton/Waimairi | 2                    | 5   |
| Hagley/Ferrymead   | 2                    | 5   |
| Riccarton/Wigram   | 2                    | 5   |
| Shirley/Papanui    | 2                    | 5   |
| Spreydon/Heathcote | 2                    | 5   |
| Total              | 12                   | 30  |

(\*See page 35 for further information regarding Community Boards)

• Christchurch City is divided into four Canterbury Regional Council constituencies. Each of the four constituencies comprises three of the former Christchurch City wards which were in existence at the 2001 elections, as follows:

| Name of Constituency | No Members | Comprising            |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Christchurch North   | 2          | former Papanui Ward   |
|                      |            | former Shirley Ward   |
|                      |            | former Burwood Ward   |
| Christchurch East    | 2          | former Pegasus Ward   |
|                      |            | former Hagley Ward    |
|                      |            | former Ferrymead Ward |
| Christchurch South   | 2          | former Heathcote Ward |
|                      |            | former Spreydon Ward  |
|                      |            | former Wigram Ward    |
| Christchurch West    | 2          | former Fendalton Ward |
|                      |            | former Riccarton Ward |
|                      |            | former Waimairi Ward  |
| Total                | 8          |                       |

• Seven members will be elected to the Canterbury District Health Board. These seven members will all be elected at large across the whole of the area covered by the District Health Board, rather than from within constituencies.





### **5 Election Timetable**



#### CHRISTCHURCH CITY 2004 TRIENNIAL ELECTION TIMETABLE - 9 OCTOBER 2004

After 31 January 2004 Declaration of Electoral Officer/Deputy [Sec 14, LEA]

2 March - 30 April 2004 Ratepayer Roll Enrolment Confirmation Forms sent [Reg 16, LER]

2 March - 6 July 2004 Preparation of Ratepayer Roll [Reg 10, LER]

12 March 2004 EEC Questionnaire sent to EOs

11 April 2004 Final Representation Review decisions from LGC

16 April 2004 EEC Questionnaire due

1-31 May 2004 SOLGM national Ratepayer Roll Qualifications and Procedures campaign

[Sec 39, LEA]

19 May 2004 EEC test data sent to EOs

5 July 2004 EEC Enrolment Update Campaign commences
7 July 2004 Eligibility for Electoral Roll ends [Reg 10, LER]

9 July 2004 Receive Residential Roll data from EEC

14-21 July 2004 Compile Preliminary Electoral Roll [Sec 38, LEA]
 21 July 2004 Public Notice of Election, Calling for Nominations,

and advising Roll Open for Inspection [Sec 42, 52, 53, LEA]

23 July 2004 Nominations Open/Roll Open for Inspection [Sec 42, LEA]

20 August 2004 Nominations Close (12 noon)/Roll Closes

[Sec 5, 42, 55, LEA, Reg 21 LER]

Optional Early Processing Resolution [Sec 79, LEA]

Optional Order of Candidate Names Resolution [Reg 31, LER]

25 August 2004 Public Notice of Candidate Names [Sec 65, LEA]

By 27 August 2004 Receive final data from EEC

By 31 August 2004 Ratepayer Roll insert with rates notice [Sec 39, LEA]

By 13 September 2004 Electoral Officer Certifies Final Electoral Roll [Sec 51, LEA, Reg 22, LER]

14 September 2004 Roll in force [Reg 23, LER]

By 17 September 2004 EEC letter sent to Unpublished Roll electors

Appointment of Justice(s) of the Peace

17-22 September 2004 Delivery of Voting Documents [Sec 5, LEA, Reg 51, 96, LER]

17 September-9 October 2004 Progressive Roll Scrutiny [Sec 83, LEA]

Special Voting Period Early Processing

By 8 October 2004 Appointment of Scrutineers 12 noon [Sec 68, LEA]

9 October 2004 Election Day [Sec 10, LEA]

Voting Closes 12 noon - counting commences [Sec 84, LEA]

Preliminary Results available as soon as practicable after close of voting

[Sec 85, LEA]

9-13 October 2004 Official Count [Sec 84, LEA]

13-16 October 2004 Declaration of Result/Public Notice of Results [Sec 86, LEA]

By 7 December 2004 Return of Election Expenses and Donations Form [Sec 109, LEA]

Note: Actual date is within 55 days after the day on which the successful

candidates are declared elected and could vary from the date shown.





## 6 Candidate Qualifications



#### 1. A candidate for a city/district/regional council <u>must</u> be:

- Enrolled on a parliamentary electoral roll somewhere in New Zealand; and
- A New Zealand citizen (either by birth or citizenship ceremony) (Section 25 Local Electoral Act 2001)

#### 2. Restrictions on a candidate for a city/district/regional council:

A candidate need not be an elector of the local authority for which he or she is standing. Any
New Zealand citizen who is enrolled as a parliamentary elector may be elected to any
territorial authority and community board and to any number or combination of territorial
authorities or boards. However, an individual cannot be a candidate for more than one ward
or constituency of the same authority, or a candidate for either a territorial authority or
community board, as well as a regional council.

In the case of Christchurch City, this means:

- 1. A person **cannot** be a candidate for election as a City Councillor in more than one of the six wards.
- A person <u>can</u> be a candidate for election as a Community Board member in more than one of the six communities.
- 3. A person **cannot** stand for the Canterbury Regional Council and also as a candidate for any of the following additional issues:

Mayor Councillor Community Board Member

(Sections 57A and 58 Local Electoral Act 2001)

- A candidate <u>cannot</u> be a person concerned or interested in contracts over \$25,000 with the
  territorial local authority (Section 3(1) Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968). This
  restriction is waived if prior approval from the Audit Office is obtained. (Please see page 64
  for further information regarding disqualifying contracts, and the provisions of the Local
  Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968.
- An employee of a local authority who is elected to be a member of the local authority's governing body must resign from his or her position as an employee of the local authority before taking up his or her position as a member of the local authority. (Section 41(5) Local Government Act 2002)
- Therefore, a staff member can stand for election to the Council, but must resign if elected. However, staff members can be elected as community board members and still continue as staff members following their election to the board.

#### 3. A candidate for a district health board <u>must</u> be:

- Qualified to be a parliamentary elector (Section 4, Schedule 2, NZ Public Health and Disability Act 2000); and
- A New Zealand citizen (either by birth or citizenship ceremony) (Section 25 Local Electoral Act 2001); and
- Not disqualified by clause 17, schedule 2, New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 (see page 10).



#### 4. Restrictions on a candidate for a district health board:

- A person cannot be a candidate for more than one district or more than one constituency.
- Clause 17, schedule 2 (New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000) provides:

#### "Certain persons disqualified from membership

None of the following persons may be elected or appointed as a member of a board, or appointed as a member of a committee, of a District Health Board:

- A person who has been convicted of an offence punishable by imprisonment for a term of (a) 2 years or more, and who has not obtained a pardon, or served the sentence or otherwise suffered the penalty imposed;
- (b) A person who is subject to a sentence of imprisonment for an offence punishable by a term of imprisonment of less than 2 years;
- (c) A person who is subject to an order made under any of sections 10, 11, 12 and 30 of the Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act 1988, or whose property is managed by a trustee corporation under section 32 of the Act;
- A person who is an undischarged bankrupt; (d)
- (e) A person who has, since the date on which members of boards elected at the immediately preceding triennial general election came into office, been removed as a member of a board for any reason specified in clause 9(c) or (e) of Schedule 3;
- a person who has failed to declare a material conflict of interest before accepting (f) nomination as candidate for an election of a District Health Board."





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# 7 Nominations and Candidate Profile Statements



#### 1. Key Dates

- Nominations open on Friday 23 July 2004
- · Nominations close at noon, Friday 20 August 2004
- Public notices calling for nominations will appear in the local newspapers on Wednesday 21 July 2004 and Friday 25 July 2004.

#### 2. Availability of Nomination Papers

- Each nomination must be made on the appropriate nomination paper. A separate nomination paper is required for each issue or position. Nomination forms for the positions of Mayor, City Councillor, Community Board member and Canterbury District Health Board member will be available from Friday 23 July 2004 at the following places:
  - Civic Offices, 163 Tuam Street, Christchurch (ground floor reception desk)
  - Any of the Council's six suburban service centres, which are located at the following addresses:

Beckenham Service Centre, 66 Colombo Street, Beckenham

Fendalton Library and Service Centre, corner Jeffreys Road and Clyde Road, Fendalton Linwood Service Centre, 180 Smith Street, Linwood

Papanui Library and Service Centre, corner Langdons Road and Restell Street, Papanui Shirley Library and Service Centre, 36 Marshland Road, Shirley Sockburn Service Centre, 149 Main South Road, Sockburn

or by telephoning (03) 941-8533.

• Nomination papers for the Canterbury Regional Council are available from the Electoral Officer for the Canterbury Regional Council (contact Peter Berry on 365-3828).

#### 3. Candidate Profile Statement

- Every candidate may provide the Electoral Officer with a candidate profile statement with their nomination. This is a statement of up to 150 words containing information about the candidate and his or her policies and intentions if elected to office. The profile may include a recent passport size photograph. The candidate profile statement must be true and accurate. The Electoral Officer is not required to verify or investigate any information included in this statement.
- The candidate profile statements are required to be included with the voting documents sent to electors by the Electoral Officer.
- The candidate profile statement may be in English or Maori, (maximum 150 words in either language) or in any other language (not exceeding 150 words in total). Should all or part of a candidate profile statement be provided in a language other than English, it is required that this be provided in an electronic graphic file.

Specifications (from printer): All translations must be supplied as a single image. If there is more than 1 language translated, then these are to be all supplied together in a single image.

The image to be supplied as a file with the following criteria:

- 1. EPS Bit map
- 2. Black and white
- 3. 600 dpi
- 4. 1 mm white space included around the head and left hand side of the image
- 5. The image being 55 mm high and 85 mm wide



Translations in the required format can be provided by the following company (at the candidate's cost), for those candidates who are unable to prepare the translation image themselves or do not know of anyone else able to do this for them:

Pacific International Translations (NZ) Ltd P O Box 8567, Symonds Street, Auckland Phone: 09 9135290 Fax: 09 9135291

Email: info@pactrans.co.nz Contact: Ruth Jasmat

- Section 61 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 provides:
  - (1) Every candidate may provide to the electoral officer a candidate profile statement that complies with subsection (2) and, if applicable, subsection (3).
  - (2) A candidate profile statement,---
    - (a) if---
      - (i) in English or Maori or both, must not exceed 150 words in each of the languages used in the statement:
      - (ii) in a language other than English or Maori, must not exceed 150 words, or the equivalent, if the language uses symbols rather than words (including any translation of those words into another language provided by the candidate); and
    - (b) must be provided to the electoral officer before 12 noon on nomination day; and
    - (c) must be confined to information concerning the candidate (including any group or organisation with which the candidate claims under section 55(4) to be affiliated, or his or her status as an independent candidate and the candidate's contact details), and the candidate's policies and intentions if elected to office; and
    - (d) must comply with any prescribed requirements; and
    - (e) may include a recent photograph of the candidate alone.
  - (3) If a candidate profile statement is submitted in Maori and English, the information contained in each language must be substantially consistent with the information contained in the other language.
  - (4) If the electoral officer is not satisfied that a candidate profile statement complies with subsection (2) or, if applicable, subsection (3), the electoral officer must, as soon as practicable, return the statement to the candidate and must---
    - (a) specify the concerns of the electoral officer and the reasons for those concerns; and
    - (b) unless the candidate profile statement does not comply with subsection (2)(b) specify a period, which must not be less than 3 days from the date of return of the statement, during which the candidate may submit an amended candidate profile statement to the electoral officer.
  - (5) A candidate is to be treated as having failed to provide a candidate profile statement, if subsection (4)(b) applies to the candidate and the candidate---
    - (a) fails to submit an amended candidate profile statement within the period specified in subsection (4)(b); or
    - (b) submits an amended candidate profile statement that, in the opinion of the electoral officer, does not comply with subsection (2) or, if applicable, subsection (3).
  - (6) An electoral officer---
    - (a) is not required to verify or investigate any information included in a candidate profile statement:
    - (b) may include, in or with any candidate profile statement that is published, displayed, or distributed, any disclaimer concerning the accuracy of the information contained in the statement that the electoral officer considers appropriate:
    - (c) is not liable in respect of---
      - (i) any statement contained in or omitted from the candidate profile statement or the work of a translator prudently selected by the electoral officer; or
      - (ii) the exercise of the powers and functions conferred on the electoral officer by this section.

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#### **District Health Board Conflict of Interest Statements** 4.

- All District Health Board nominations must be accompanied by a statement completed by the candidate that discloses any conflicts of interest that the candidate has with the District Health Board at the time of nomination or any conflicts of interest the candidate believes are likely to arise in the future. A sample conflict of interest statement is attached as Appendix A.
- The conflict of interest statement is required to be included with the voting document sent to each elector by the Electoral Officer.
- Section 6 of the New Zealand Public Health & Disability Act 2000 provides:

#### Candidate to declare conflicts of interest

When a candidate gives the responsible Electoral Officer notice of the candidate's consent to being nominated as a candidate, the candidate must also give the Electoral Officer a statement completed by the candidate in good faith that -

- discloses any conflicts of interest that the candidate has with the District Health Board as at the date of the candidate's notice of consent, or states that the candidate has no such conflicts of interest as at that date: and
- discloses any such conflicts of interest that the candidate believes are likely to arise in (b) future, or states that the candidate does not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future

#### 5. **Completion of Nomination Paper**

- Each nomination paper must have the consent of the candidate and be nominated by two electors whose names appear on the electoral roll for the district or subdivision of the district (eg if a person wishes to stand for election in a specific ward, then that person must be nominated by two electors in that ward).
- If a candidate is unable to sign the nomination paper (eg absent overseas), a letter of consent signed by the candidate is acceptable to attach to the nomination paper.
- If a candidate is commonly known in the community by a slightly different name (eg Edward Smith is commonly known as Ted Smith) and has been known by this name for at least the last six months (to the satisfaction of the Electoral Officer), the commonly known name may appear on the voting document.

#### 6. Affiliation

- The nomination paper provides for a candidate to claim an affiliation. An affiliation is described in section 57(3) of the Local Electoral Act 2001 as "an endorsement by any organisation or group (whether incorporated or unincorporated)".
  - Individual candidates not part of an organisation or group may elect to be identified as "Independent" or leave as blank (if left blank, nothing will show alongside the name on the voting document).
- · A candidate claiming a specific affiliation should have authority to adopt the affiliation from the organisation or group concerned (ie letter from group confirming its consent to use affiliation). This is a safety measure to avoid any unjustified claims of affiliations.
- No affiliation that might cause offence or is likely to confuse or mislead electors will be accepted.



The relevant extracts from sections 55 and 57 of the Local Electoral Act are set out below:

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- (4) A nomination under subsection (1) must state---
  - (a) the name under which the candidate is seeking election:
  - (b) any organisation or group with which the candidate claims to be affiliated for the purposes of identifying that affiliation in the voting documents at the election:
  - (c) whether or not a candidate who does not claim any affiliation referred to in paragraph (b) wishes to be identified in the voting documents at the election as an independent candidate.

#### 57 Affiliation of Candidate

- (1) If an electoral officer is in any doubt about a candidate's eligibility to claim an affiliation, the electoral officer may require the candidate to produce evidence sufficient to satisfy the electoral officer of the candidate's eligibility to claim that affiliation.
- (2) If an electoral officer considers that the candidate is not eligible to claim an affiliation or that the affiliation claimed might cause offence to a reasonable person or is likely to cause confusion to or mislead electors,---
  - (a) the electoral officer must, after consultation with the candidate, allow the affiliation that the electoral officer and the candidate agree on to appear on voting documents in place of the affiliation specified in the notice of nomination; or
  - (b) if the consultation referred to in paragraph (a) does not result in agreement or is not reasonably practicable to undertake, the electoral officer must not allow any affiliation in respect of that candidate to appear on voting documents.
- (3) In this section, an affiliation is an endorsement by any organisation or group (whether incorporated or unincorporated).

#### 7. Return of Nomination Papers

 Nomination papers for the Mayor, City Council, Community Board and District Health Board issues must be lodged with the Electoral Officer at the election office, which is located on the first floor of the Civic Offices, 163 Tuam Street, Christchurch or posted to:

Max Robertson
Electoral Officer
Christchurch City Council
P O Box 237
Christchurch

• Canterbury Regional Council nominations must be lodged with:

Peter Berry
Canterbury Regional Council
58 Kilmore Street (P O Box 345)
Christchurch
Telephone 365-3828 / Fax 365-3194

All District Health Board nominations must be accompanied by a statement completed by the candidate that discloses any conflicts of interest that the candidate has with the District Health Board at the time of nomination or any conflicts of interest the candidate believes are likely to arise in the future.

#### In all cases, nominations must be lodged no later than 12 noon, Friday 20 August 2004

• Once lodged, nomination papers are checked to ensure the candidate is eligible (name appears on a parliamentary roll) and the nominators are two electors whose names appear on the electoral roll for the district or subdivision of the district (eg ward).



Each nomination paper lodged requires a deposit of \$200 (including GST). Deposits are refundable if the votes cast for the candidate exceed:

#### First Past the Post (FPP) Elections

- 25% of the votes cast for the successful candidate (in the case of issues where only one vacancy is to be filled, such as the election of Mayor)
- 25% of the votes cast for the lowest polling successful candidate (this applies in the case of issues where two or more candidates are to be elected)

#### Single Transferable Vote (STV) Elections

- 25% of the final quota as determined at the last iteration
- The lodgement of nomination papers should not be left to the last minute. Should a nomination paper be lodged late on the morning nominations close, and be incorrectly completed or ineligible nominators provided, there may be insufficient time to correct the situation and the nomination paper could be invalidated.

#### Please do not leave lodging your nomination to the last minute

- Payment of the nomination deposit can be made by cash, bank cheque or personal cheque. Should a personal cheque be used and subsequently dishonoured, the nomination becomes invalid as the deposit has not lawfully been made.
- · Cheques should be made payable to:
  - Christchurch City Council (for Mayor, Council, Community Board and District Health Board
  - Canterbury Regional Council (for Regional Council nominations)
- Nomination papers, the deposit and the candidate profile statement, can be mailed, but should they be received after the close of nominations, the nomination is invalid.





## 8 Campaigning



#### Campaigning

- Election campaigning can start at any time and can continue up to and including election day.
- Election offences are set out in section 19 of this booklet. Please refer to them for your own protection. In particular, note that no election material may contain an imitation voting document which has the names of the candidates with any direction or indication as to the candidate a person should vote for, or in any way contains such direction or indication likely to influence the voter.
- Voting documents are <u>not</u> permitted to be collected from electors by candidates or their assistants. Each elector is required to post or deliver his or her own voting document to the Electoral Officer.
- Election advertising, using any media, must now identify the person under whose authority the advertisements have been placed.

The requirements relating to election advertising are found in clause 113 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, which provides:

#### 113 Advertisements for candidates

- (1) No person may publish or cause to be published in any newspaper, periodical, notice, poster, pamphlet, handbill, billboard, or card, or broadcast or permit to be broadcast over any radio or television station, any advertisement that is used or appears to be used to promote or procure the election of a candidate at an election, unless subsection (2) or subsection (4) applies<sup>1</sup>.
- (2) A person may publish or cause or permit to be published an advertisement of the kind described in subsection (1) if—
  - (a) the publication of that advertisement is authorised in writing by the candidate or the candidate's agent or, in the case of an advertisement relating to more than 1 candidate, the candidates or an agent acting for all of those candidates; and
  - (b) the advertisement contains a statement setting out the true name of the person or persons for whom or at whose direction it is published and the address of his or her place of residence or business.
- (3) A candidate is not responsible for an act committed by an agent without the consent or connivance of the candidate.
- (4) A person may publish or cause or permit to be published an advertisement of the kind described in subsection (1) if—
  - (a) the publication of the advertisement is endorsed by an organisation or body representing residents or ratepayers in the community or district in which the advertisement is published; and
  - (b) the advertisement contains a statement setting out—
    - (i) the true name of the person or persons for whom or at whose direction it is published and the address of his or her residence or place of business; and
    - (ii) the true name of the organisation or body that has endorsed the publication of the advertisement and the address of the place of business of that organisation or body.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Contravention of this subsection is an offence (see s135 (1)).



(5) This section does not restrict the publication of any news or comments relating to an election in a newspaper or other periodical, or on the Internet, or in any other medium of electronic communication accessible by the public, or in a radio or television broadcast made by a broadcaster within the meaning of section 2 of the Broadcasting Act 1989.

#### 135 Unauthorised advertisements

- (1) Every person commits an offence who wilfully contravenes section 113(1).
- (2) Every person who commits an offence against subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.
- For campaigning information, the approximate number of households, electors and population for each Christchurch City Ward is as follows:

|                    | 1   | 2                                    | 3             |
|--------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Ward               | 2001 Occupied<br>Dwellings/<br>Households | 2003 Usual<br>Resident<br>Population | 2004 Electors |
| Burwood/Pegasus    | 20,073                                    | 56,900                               | 38,980        |
| Riccarton/Wigram   | 19,803                                    | 60,000                               | 40,591        |
| Hagley/Ferrymead   | 22,047                                    | 55,400                               | 37,917        |
| Shirley/Papanui    | 21,060                                    | 57,800                               | 41,139        |
| Spreydon/Heathcote | 20,955                                    | 54,700                               | 39,465        |
| Fendalton/Waimairi | 19,317                                    | 54,000                               | 39,135        |
|                    |   |                                      |               |
|                    | 123,255                                   | 338,800                              | 237,227       |

Source: 1. Statistics New Zealand, Census of Populations and Dwellings 2001 (for number of occupied dwellings)

Source: 2. Statistics New Zealand, Estimated Resident Population of Christchurch City at 30 June 2003

Source: 3. Electoral Enrolment Centre: 2004 Residential Roll Test Data





## 9 Election Expenses



#### **Campaign Expenditure Limits**

Candidates should be aware that candidate campaign expenditure limits are applicable. This
means a limit has been placed on how much a candidate may spend on his or her campaign, and
this includes donations and joint campaigning. The maximum amount spent must not exceed the
limits set out below where the election covers a population range as detailed:

| Local government  | Expenditure |
|-------------------|-------------|
| area population   | limit       |
| up to 4,999       | \$3,500     |
| 5,000 – 9,999     | \$7,000     |
| 10,000 — 19,999   | \$14,000    |
| 20,000 - 39,999   | \$20,000    |
| 40,000 - 59,999   | \$30,000    |
| 60,000 - 79,999   | \$40,000    |
| 80,000 - 99,999   | \$50,000    |
| 100,000 - 149,999 | \$55,000    |
| 150,000 –249,999  | \$60,000    |
| 250,000 or more   | \$70,000    |

[NOTE: Expenditure limits are inclusive of GST.]

- If a candidate is standing for more than one position (eg Mayor and Council) then the higher limit applies (not both combined).
- Therefore, the total electoral expenses (including GST) of each candidate must not exceed the following amounts in the case of the Christchurch City elections:

| Candidates                                  | Expenditure<br>Limit |
|---|----------------------|
| Mayoral candidates                          | \$70,000             |
| Council candidates                          | \$30,000             |
| Community Board candidates                  | \$30,000             |
| Canterbury District Health Board candidates | \$70,000             |
| Canterbury Regional Council candidates:     |                      |
| Christchurch East constituency              | \$50,000             |
| Christchurch North constituency             | \$50,000             |
| Christchurch South constituency             | \$50,000             |
| Christchurch West constituency              | \$50,000             |

#### **Period During Which Limits Apply**

- The period during which campaign expenditure limits apply (referred to in the Act as "the applicable period") is three months before election day (ie 9 July 2004 to 9 October 2004).
- A Return of Electoral Expenses and Electoral Donations form is located at the end of this booklet.

#### **Timing of Expenses Return**

• Every candidate must file an electoral expenses return with the electoral officer within 55 days of the day on which the successful candidates are declared to be elected. For those candidates elected unopposed this will be 55 days from the day of the electoral officer's public notice under Section 63 of the Act. For those candidates contesting the election this will be 55 days after the day of the public notice of the official result. For candidates out of New Zealand at the time they are declared elected, the return must be filed within 21 days of their return to New Zealand. Section 59 of the Act requires compliance with s109 before the election deposit is refunded.



#### **Apportionment of Electoral Expenses**

- Section 112 of the Act governs the apportionment of a candidate's election expenses prior to and during the three month period ending on polling day (ie the applicable period).
- Potentially, how candidates apportion their electoral expenses could become a public issue given that the election expenses return is open for public inspection. Also, the filing of a false return is an offence under Section 134 of the Act. Furthermore, under Section 138, where the electoral officer believes that an electoral expenses offence may have been committed, the matter must be reported to the police. An exception to s138 is the failure to file a return provided that it is filed promptly when requested by the electoral officer. Accordingly, it is important for candidates to clearly understand the requirements relating to the apportionment of their election expenses.
- Electoral activity, in respect of which electoral expenses may be incurred, is defined in Section 104 as an activity:
  - (a) that is carried out by the candidate or with the candidate's authority; and
  - (b) that relates to the candidate solely in the candidate's capacity as a candidate and not to the
    - (i) in his or her capacity as a member of the local authority or community board, or as the holder of any other office; or
    - (ii) in any other capacity; and
  - (c) that comprises -
    - (i) advertising of any kind; or
    - (ii) radio or television broadcasting; or
    - (iii) publishing, issuing, distributing, or displaying addresses, notices, posters, pamphlets, handbills, billboards, and cards, etc
    - (iv) any electronic communication to the public, including (without limitation) the establishment or operation of a website or other method of communication to the public using the Internet: and
  - (d) that relates exclusively to the campaign for the election of the candidate; and
  - (e) that takes place within the applicable period before the close of polling day.
- Electoral expenses is also defined in Section 104, and in relation to a candidate at an election:
  - (a) means expenses that are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate in respect of an electoral activity; and
  - (b) includes expenses that are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate, before or after the applicable period before the close of polling day, in respect of any electoral activity; and
  - (c) includes the reasonable market value of any materials applied in respect of any electoral activity that are given to the candidate or that are provided to the candidate free of charge or below reasonable market value; and
  - (d) includes the cost of any printing or postage in respect of any electoral activity, whether or not the expenses in respect of the printing or postage are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate; but
  - (e) does not include the expenses of operating a vehicle on which election advertising appears if that vehicle is used in good faith by the candidate as the candidate's personal means of transport; and
  - (f) does not include expenses incurred by the candidate in preparing a candidate profile statement; and
  - (g) does not include the labour of any person that is provided to the candidate free of charge by that person.
- Nomination deposits should not be included in a candidate's return of electoral expenses. Electoral expenses are defined in s104 of the Act as specifically relating to electoral activity, which is also defined as (amongst other things) relating exclusively to the campaign for the election of the candidate. The definition of electoral activity neither includes nor excludes nomination deposits. However, it does exclude such things as the preparation of candidate profile statements, certain vehicle costs and donated labour. The inference is that these costs do not relate exclusively to the campaign for the election of a candidate and therefore, may be excluded. The nomination deposit is also not exclusively related to the election campaign and similarly should also be excluded. It is also noted that in the majority of cases the deposit is refunded so that any effect on costs is neutral.



- The definition of electoral expenses is important. It specifically includes expenses that are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate before or after the applicable period before the close of polling day in respect of any electoral activity. Likewise, Section 112 provides that for any electoral activity, in relation to a candidate at an election, which is carried on "both before and within" the applicable period before close of polling day:
  - the expenses incurred in respect of the activity (being expenses incurred by or on behalf of the candidate) must be properly apportioned so that a fair proportion of those expenses is attributed to the carrying on of the activity in the applicable period before the close of polling dav: and
  - (b) the fair proportion of those expenses are electoral expenses."
- It is recommended that candidates apportion their electoral expenses on the following basis:
  - where an election activity is carried on both before and within the "applicable period" then its costs must be apportioned in terms of Section 112. An example could be the costs associated with the development, preparation and production of hoardings or a website, before the three months prior to polling day, but which will be used throughout the applicable period (ie three months leading up to polling day). A fair proportion of these pre applicable period costs would contribute towards the expenditure limits applicable to the candidate.
  - where an election activity is carried on before the three months prior to polling day and is finite or completed, then it would not need to be accounted for against the expenditure limit. An example could be the costs for developing and placing an advertisement in the media prior to the three months prior to polling day, which is not used again through the "applicable period".

#### **Returns Available for Public Inspection**

- Section 110 of the Act provides that the electoral officer shall keep all electoral expense returns for seven years, during which period the returns must be open for public inspection and thereafter destroyed.
- The intention of Section 110 is that members of the public (including the media) have the right to satisfy themselves that candidates have not breached the campaign expenditure provisions of the Act.

#### **Electoral Offences Relating to Expenses Returns**

- The Local Electoral Act contains several provisions dealing with electoral offences related to candidates' expenses returns.
- · The maximum penalties contained in the Act are quite large and include possible imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years and a \$10,000 fine for filing a return knowing it is false in any material particular.

#### Duty to Take Action in Respect of Offences relating to Expenses Returns

- · Section 138 of the Act is a general offence provision which also applies to electoral expense returns. If an electoral officer receives a written complaint or otherwise believes that an offence relating to a candidate expense return has been committed, the electoral officer must report that matter to the Police together with the result of any enquiries conducted by the electoral officer.
- However, section 138(3) provides that an electoral officer is not required to report the failure to file a return if the candidate files that return promptly after being required to do so by the electoral officer.



The full provisions of the Local Electoral Act 2001 relating to electoral expenses are set out below:

#### 104 Interpretation:

In this Part, -

applicable period before the close of polling day means the period beginning 3 months before the close of polling day and ending with the close of polling day

electoral activity, in relation to a candidate at an election, means an activity -

- that is carried out by the candidate or with the candidate's authority; and
- that relates to the candidate solely in the candidate's capacity as a candidate and not to the (b) candidate
  - in his or her capacity as a member of the local authority or community board, or as the (i) holder of any other office; or
  - in any other capacity; and (ii)
- (c) that comprises
  - advertising of any kind; or (i)
  - (ii) radio or television broadcasting; or
  - publishing, issuing, distributing, or displaying addresses, notices, posters, pamphlets, (iii) handbills, billboards, and cards; or
  - (iv) any electronic communication to the public, including (without limitation) the establishment or operation of a website or other method of communication to the public using the Internet; and
- (d) that relates exclusively to the campaign for the return of the candidate; and
- that takes place within the applicable period before the close of polling day (e)

#### electoral donation, in relation to a candidate at an election, -

- means a donation (whether of money or the equivalent of money or of goods or services or of a combination of those things) of a sum or value of more than \$1,000 (such amount being inclusive of any goods and services tax and of a series of donations made by or on behalf of any one person that aggregate more than \$1,000) made to the candidate, or to any person on the candidate's behalf, for use by or on behalf of the candidate in the campaign for his or her election; and
- includes, if goods or services are provided to the candidate, or to any person on the (b) candidate's behalf, under a contract at 90% or less of their reasonable market value, the amount of the difference between the contractual price of the goods or services and the reasonable market value of those goods or services; but
- (c) does not include the labour of any person that is provided to the candidate free of charge by that person.

#### electoral expenses, in relation to a candidate at an election, -

- means expenses that are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate in respect of any electoral activity: and
- (b) includes expenses that are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate, before or after the applicable period before the close of polling day, in respect of any electoral activity; and
- includes the reasonable market value of any materials applied in respect of any electoral (c) activity that are given to the candidate or that are provided to the candidate free of charge or below reasonable market value; and
- (d) includes the cost of any printing or postage in respect of any electoral activity, whether or not the expenses in respect of the printing or postage are incurred by or on behalf of the candidate; but
- (e) does not include the expenses of operating a vehicle on which election advertising appears if that vehicle is used in good faith by the candidate as the candidate's personal means of transport; and
- does not include expenses incurred by the candidate in preparing a candidate profile (f) statement: and
- does not include the labour of any person that is provided to the candidate free of charge by (g) that person.



**population** means the population, as at the day that is 3 months before the close of polling day, of a local government area as specified in a certificate issued in respect of that area by the Government Statistician.

#### 105 Periods for claiming and paying expenses

- (1) No claim against a candidate, or against any agent of a candidate, in respect of any electoral expenses is recoverable unless it is sent to the candidate within 30 days after the day on which the successful candidates are declared to be elected.
- (2) All electoral expenses incurred by or on behalf of a candidate must be paid within 60 days after the day on which the successful candidates are declared to be elected.

#### 106 Procedure if claim disputed

- (1) If a candidate, in the case of a claim for electoral expenses sent in to him or her within the time allowed by this Act, disputes it, or fails to pay it within 60 days,-
  - (a) the claim is a disputed claim; and
  - (b) the claimant may, if he or she thinks fit, within a further 30 days, bring an action for the disputed claim in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- (2) Any sum paid by the candidate to satisfy the judgment or order of the Court in any action referred to in **subsection (1)** is to be treated as paid within the time allowed by this Act.

#### 107 Leave to pay claim after time limited

- (1) A District Court may, on the application of the claimant or the candidate, grant leave to the candidate to pay a disputed claim, or to pay a claim for any electoral expenses, even though it is sent in after the time allowed by this Act, if the Court considers it in the interests of justice to grant that leave.
- (2) Any sum specified in the order granting that leave may be paid by the candidate, and when paid, is to be treated as paid within the time allowed by this Act.

#### 108 Payments to be vouched by bill

Every payment made in respect of any electoral expenses must, except when it is less than \$200 (inclusive of goods and services tax), be vouched by-

- (a) a bill stating the particulars; and
- (b) a receipt

#### 109 Return of electoral expenses

- (1) Within 55 days after the day on which the successful candidates at any election are declared to be elected, every candidate at the election must transmit to the Electoral Officer a return setting out-
  - (a) the candidate's electoral expenses; and
  - (b) the name and address of each person who made an electoral donation to the candidate and the amount of each electoral donation; and
  - (c) if an electoral donation of money or of the equivalent of money is made to the candidate anonymously and the amount of that donation exceeds \$1000,-
    - (i) the amount of that donation; and
    - (ii) the fact that it has been received anonymously.

## (NB anonymous, in relation to an electoral donation, means a donation that is made in such a way that the candidate concerned does not know who made the donation.)

- (2) Every return under subsection (1) must be in the form prescribed in Schedule 2 or to similar effect.
- (3) If the candidate is outside New Zealand on the day on which the successful candidates are declared to be elected, the return must be transmitted by the candidate to the Electoral Officer within 21 days after the date of the candidate's return to New Zealand.
- (4) It is the duty of every Electoral Officer to ensure that this section is complied with.

#### 110 Return to be open for public inspection

The electoral officer must keep every return under **section 109** in the electoral officer's office, or at some other convenient place to be appointed by the chief executive of the local authority, for a period of 7 years after the date of the election to which it relates, and-

- (a) during that period the return must be open to inspection by any person; and
- (b) at the expiry of that period the electoral officer must ensure that the return is destroyed.

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#### 111 Maximum amount of electoral expenses (refer to section 9 in this booklet)

#### 112 Apportionment of electoral expenses

- If any activity of the kind described in paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of the term electoral activity (as set out in section 104) is, in relation to a candidate at an election, carried on both before and within the applicable period before the close of polling day,
  - the expenses incurred in respect of the activity (being expenses incurred by or on behalf of the candidate) must be properly apportioned so that a fair proportion of those expenses is attributed to the carrying on of the activity in the applicable period before the close of polling day; and
  - the fair proportion of those expenses are electoral expenses. (b)
- (2) If any election activity relates exclusively to campaigns for the election of 2 or more candidates, any electoral expenses in respect of that electoral activity must be apportioned equitably in relation to each of those candidates.

#### 114 Use of public money

Sections 111 and 112 do not validate any use of public money that would otherwise be unlawful.

For offence provisions relating to candidate expenditure limits, (sections 132-136 Local Electoral Act 2001) refer section 19 of this booklet.

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# 10 Advertising by or on behalf of Candidates and use of Council logos



- Election advertising, of all types, must now identify the person under whose authority they have been produced.
- Section 113(1) of the Act provides that "No person may publish or cause to be published in any newspaper, periodical, notice, poster, pamphlet, handbill, billboard, or card, or broadcast or permit to be broadcast over any radio or television station, any advertisement that is used or appears to be used to promote or procure the election of a candidate at an election, unless subsection (2) or subsection (4) applies".
- Subsection (2) allows such advertisements if the publication is authorised in writing by the
  candidate or the candidate's agent and the advertisement contains a statement setting out
  the true name of the person for whom or at whose direction the advertisement was
  published and the address of his or her place of residence or business. The intention of this
  provision is to allow the public to be aware from whom candidate advertising originates and make
  their own judgement about the credibility of the information and views expressed.
- Subsection (4) authorises the publication of advertisements that are endorsed by an organisation or body representing residents or ratepayers in the community or district in which the advertisement is published. Advertisements by residents or ratepayers' organisations need not be authorised by the candidate or candidate's agent provided:
  - the true name and address of the person(s) that directed its publication; and
  - the true name of the organisation that endorsed the publication of the advertisement and its place of business,

#### are stated in the advertisement.

- Subsection (5) makes it clear that this section does not restrict the publication of any news or comments relating to an election in any media.
- Section 113 is included within the Part of the Act dealing with electoral expenses. The advertising
  to which it relates may take place at any time not only during the three months prior to the
  election
- A breach of subsection (1) constitutes an offence under section 135 of the Act which is punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.

The full provisions of Sections 113 and 135 are set out below:

#### 113 Advertisements for candidates

- (1) No person may publish or cause to be published in any newspaper, periodical, notice, poster, pamphlet, handbill, billboard, or card, or broadcast or permit to be broadcast over any radio or television station, any advertisement that is used or appears to be used to promote or procure the election of a candidate at an election, unless subsection (2) or subsection (4) applies<sup>2</sup>.
- (2) A person may publish or cause or permit to be published an advertisement of the kind described in subsection (1) if—
  - (a) the publication of that advertisement is authorised in writing by the candidate or the candidate's agent or, in the case of an advertisement relating to more than 1 candidate, the candidates or an agent acting for all of those candidates; and
  - (b) the advertisement contains a statement setting out the true name of the person or persons for whom or at whose direction it is published and the address of his or her place of residence or business.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Contravention of this subsection is an offence (see s135 (1)).



- (3) A candidate is not responsible for an act committed by an agent without the consent or connivance of the candidate.
- A person may publish or cause or permit to be published an advertisement of the kind described in subsection (1) if—
  - (a) the publication of the advertisement is endorsed by an organisation or body representing residents or ratepayers in the community or district in which the advertisement is published; and
  - (b) the advertisement contains a statement setting out
    - the true name of the person or persons for whom or at whose direction it is published and the address of his or her residence or place of business; and
    - (ii) the true name of the organisation or body that has endorsed the publication of the advertisement and the address of the place of business of that organisation
- This section does not restrict the publication of any news or comments relating to an election (5) in a newspaper or other periodical, or on the Internet, or in any other medium of electronic communication accessible by the public, or in a radio or television broadcast made by a broadcaster within the meaning of section 2 of the Broadcasting Act 1989.

#### 135 Unauthorised advertisements

- (1) Every person commits an offence who wilfully contravenes section 113(1).
- (2) Every person who commits an offence against subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

#### **Use of Council Logos**

The square Christchurch Garden City logo set out below is available to anyone who wishes to (i) use it:



The round corporate visual identity logo for the Christchurch City Council set out below is not (ii) available for use by any group or individual, except the Council as a whole under the terms of its copyright. This excludes its use by either sitting members or other candidates in any context which could reasonably be construed as campaigning for elections.



(iii) The formal Council crest shown below can only be used with the prior approval of the Council. Again, it is not available for use by either sitting members or other candidates in any context which could reasonably be construed as campaigning for elections.







## 11 Council Requirements for Election Hoardings



The Council's requirements relating to election signs are as follows:

#### 1. Cathedral Square, City Mall and New Brighton Mall

- (a) No vehicles are to be parked in Cathedral Square, the City Mall or the New Brighton Mall for the purpose of political party promotion, and this prohibition is to include caravans.
- (b) Tables for the purpose of checking electoral rolls are permissible.
- (c) Some tasteful candidate advertising may be attached to the campaign tables.
- (d) No charge will be made for the use of sites in Cathedral Square, the City Mall or the New Brighton Mall.
- (e) The Council's Leisure and Parks Customer Centre must be advised when such political party promotions are proposed (phone 941-6840).

#### 2. Advertising signs (including placards, posters and banners on or adjacent to roads)

- (a) Signs less than 3m<sup>2</sup> in area and mounted no higher than 3 metres may be erected on private property in the city. (Note: This is a requirement of the Christchurch City Plan, and equates to a sign 2.5 m wide and 1.2m deep.)
- (b) A Council consent must be obtained before signs are attached to buildings. This applies to signs of solid framing or backing in excess of 2 square metres in size.
- (c) No advertising signs are permitted on any road structure such as poles or cabinets, trees or on parks and reserves, footpaths, roads, road reserves or other land owned or controlled by the Council.
- (d) Signs must not be reflectorised or erected in such a location that they will create an obvious conflict with existing road signs. Signs must not imitate or be of a form similar to any traffic signs. (This is a requirement of the Traffic Regulations 1976.)
- (e) Signs must not be erected facing into any intersection controlled by traffic signals or roundabouts. Signs erected in the vicinity of other intersections must be placed so that they can be viewed by drivers leaving rather than entering the intersection. Signs erected in these locations shall be parallel to the street boundary of the property on which they are erected. Signs shall not be located so as to be likely to obscure or to confuse the interpretation of any traffic signals.
- (f) Trailer and other vehicle mounted signs are not permitted (a bylaw provision) unless associated with a street meeting in progress or attached to a parked caravan with people in attendance.

However, the following signs on vehicles are permitted:

- (i) Signs mounted on the roof of vehicles, provided they comply with the provisions of the Traffic Regulations 1976.
- (ii) Signwriting on the bodywork of candidates' vehicles, giving basic information such as the name of the candidate, their party and contact phone number(s).

(Note: Contravention of this paragraph is an offence under the parking bylaws).



- (g) Signs must not be displayed for more than three months, and must be removed within seven days after the election.
- (h) Signs erected contrary to these requirements or in a location or manner likely to cause distraction or danger to road users may be removed by the Council without prior notice. Where a sign is removed by the Council in these circumstances, the candidate(s) will then be advised of the action taken and the sign may be recovered from the Council following the payment of a fee of \$50 to cover part of the removal costs.
- (i) Any questions or complaints regarding signs should be directed to the Council's **Environmental Services Call Centre on 941-8406.**

#### 3. Signs on, or adjacent to state highways

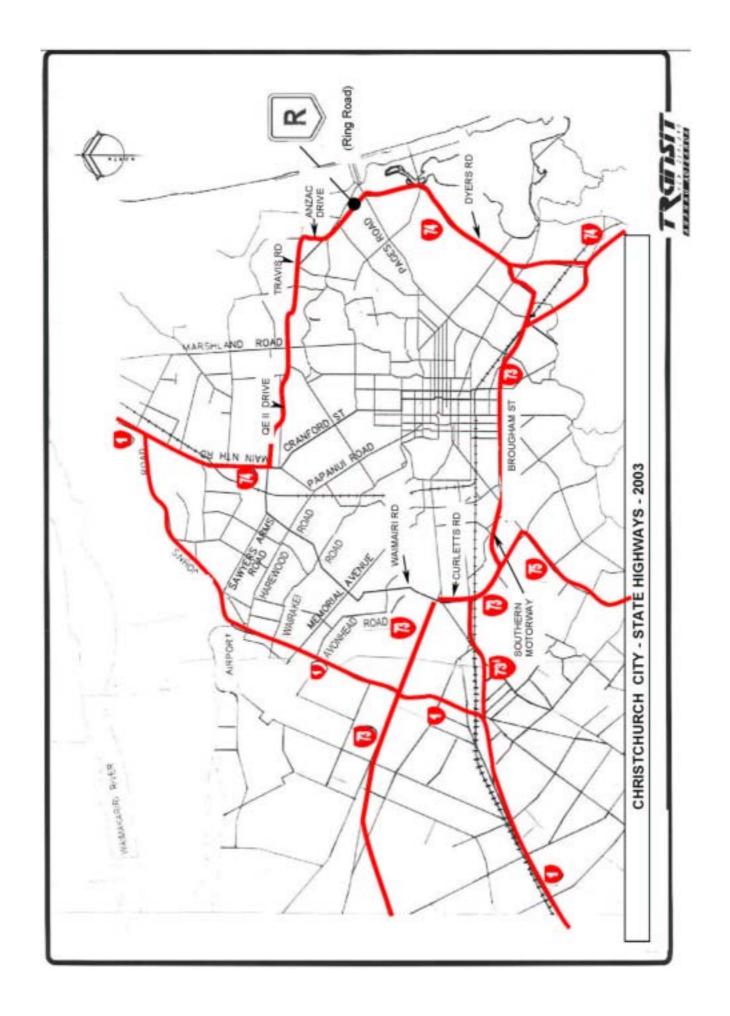
- Transit New Zealand controls the State Highways passing through Christchurch City, as (a) shown on the attached map.
- (b) The following restrictions will apply to election signs erected on or adjacent to the State Highways shown on the map.
  - Signs shall not be located on the road reserve in either rural or urban sections of the State Highways (urban sections being generally defined as areas where the speed limit is 70km/h or less). In exceptional situations Transit New Zealand may permit the erection of signs within the road reserve, but this must not be done without the written approval of Transit New Zealand.
  - · Signs erected on private property should have the permission of property owners and the City Council. Signs on private property should not exceed 3m<sup>2</sup> in area.
  - · Signs must not be reflectorised or erected in such a location that they will create an obvious conflict with existing road signs. Signs must not imitate or be of a form similar to any traffic signs (this is a legal requirement of the Traffic Regulations 1976).
  - The location of signs must give consideration to visibility and other traffic safety aspects.
  - · Signs will not be permitted on or adjacent to motorways.
  - Signs erected on rural State Highways in a location or manner likely to cause distraction or danger to road users may be removed by Transit New Zealand or its agents without prior notice. Where a sign is removed by Transit New Zealand the party will then be advised of the action taken and the sign may be redeemed for a fee of \$50 to cover Transit New Zealand costs.
  - · For the above noted safety reasons, vehicle mounted signs situated on State Highways are also discouraged by Transit New Zealand.
- (c) Where any individual candidate or party organisers have any questions about these State Highway requirements, they should make contact with:

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email: james.park@opus.co.nz





# 12 Electoral Rolls and Provision of Names of Persons Returning Completed Voting Documents

The preliminary electoral roll for Christchurch City will be available for public inspection from Friday 23 July 2004 to 4pm Friday 20 August 2004 at the following places:

Civic Offices

Beckenham Library and Service Centre

Central Public Library

Fendalton Library and Service Centre

Linwood Service Centre

Papanui Library and Service Centre

Riccarton Service Centre

Shirley Library and Service Centre

Sockburn Service Centre

163 Tuam Street (Receptionist, ground floor)

66 Colombo Street

Gloucester Street/Oxford Terrace corner Cnr Jeffreys and Clyde Roads, Fendalton

180 Smith Street, Linwood

Cnr Langdons Road and Restell Street, Papanui

Post Shop, 103 Riccarton Road 36 Marshland Road, Shirley 149 Main South Road, Sockburn

The Community Libraries at:

Bishopdale Halswell Hornby Linwood **New Brighton** Redwood Sumner

Bishopdale Mall, Harewood Road 381 Halswell Road, Halswell Goulding Avenue, Hornby 10 Cranley Street, Linwood 213 Marine Parade, New Brighton

339 Main North Road, Redwood 14 Wakefield Avenue, Sumner

- Those eligible to vote are:
  - all residents enrolled on the Parliamentary Electoral Roll;
  - all non-resident ratepayers enrolled on the Ratepayer Electoral Roll.
- Persons are qualified to be enrolled on the Parliamentary Electoral Roll if they:
  - are a New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident of New Zealand; and
  - are 18 years of age or over; and
  - have at some time resided continuously in New Zealand for one year or longer; and
  - are not disqualified under the Electoral Act 1993.
- Residents of Christchurch City are enrolled automatically on the City's Residential Electoral Roll if they are registered as Parliamentary electors. Therefore, there is no need to enrol separately for the city's elections.
- Ratepayers who are not residents of Christchurch City but pay rates on property within the city, may be entitled to enrol on the Ratepayer Roll. Companies, businesses and societies which are ratepayers, may also nominate an elector to vote on their behalf, provided any such elector resides outside Christchurch City.
- The preliminary electoral roll is in six books one for each ward.
- Any alterations to the residential roll should be made:
  - by completing the appropriate form parliamentary elector's enrolment at any Post Shop; or
  - (ii) by telephone 0800 ENROLNOW (0800-367-656); or
  - (iii) by accessing the Electoral Enrolment Centre website on www.elections.org.nz.
- Any alterations to the ratepayer roll should be made through the Electoral Office (phone (03) 941-8533).



- Copies of the preliminary electoral roll may be purchased from the Electoral Officer for \$30 (incl GST) for a full set of six books (one for each ward), or \$5 (inc GST) for one book.
- The final electoral roll is produced once the preliminary electoral roll closes on Friday 20 August 2004. The final electoral roll is the roll used for issuing voting documents. Copies of this final roll will also be available for purchase.
- Details appearing in the electoral rolls are electors names (surname, then first names) listed alphabetically by ward. The qualifying address of the elector is shown alongside. To comply with privacy provisions, no postal addresses or occupations will be shown.
- With regard to a listing of non-resident ratepayer electors, a candidate may purchase mailing labels and/or postal address lists from the Electoral Office.

#### SUPPLY OF ELECTORAL ROLL DATA IN ELECTRONIC FORM

Information contained on the Electoral Rolls is not available from the Electoral Office in an electronic form, but candidates or political parties may request an electronic listing of resident electors from the Electoral Enrolment Centre (provided the criteria of section 114 of the Electoral Act 1993 is met). An application form is required to be completed, and these are available upon request at the Electoral Enrolment Centre (EEC). The EEC contact person is Bob Chandler, phone (04) 801-0700 or fax (04) 801-0709.

#### PROVISION OF NAMES OF PERSONS RETURNING COMPLETED VOTING DOCUMENTS

Candidates or candidate scrutineers may now request, before the close of voting, the Electoral Officer to provide a listing of names of persons from whom voting documents have been returned. Such a request can be supplied in either hard copy or electronic copy, but a reasonable charge may be made for this. (Section 68(6) Local Electoral Act 2001.)





## 13 Voting and Special Voting



- The election is being conducted by postal vote. Voting documents will be posted out to all electors whose names appear on the Final Electoral Roll. Delivery by NZ Post will commence on Friday 17 September 2004, and all electors should have received their voting documents by Wednesday 22 September 2004.
- For all issues, the names of the candidates will be arranged in random order on the voting documents, ie, rather than being shown alphabetically by surname, the names of the candidates will appear in a different order on each individual voting document. This arrangement is being used because of a perception that an alphabetical arrangement unfairly favours those candidates whose surnames are at or near the beginning of the alphabet.
- Each elector, after receiving their voting document, should complete it, seal it in the return, postage paid envelope, and post or deliver it to the Electoral Officer.
- If hand delivered, completed voting documents can be lodged in the ballot bag which will be located immediately adjacent to the reception desk on the ground floor of the Civic Offices, 163 Tuam Street, Christchurch.
- If posting completed voting documents back, it is recommended these be posted no later than 5pm on Thursday 7 October 2004 to guarantee delivery before the close of voting (12 noon, Saturday 9 October 2004).
- Special votes are available to electors:
  - whose names do not appear on the final electoral roll, but who qualify as electors
  - who have not received a voting document previously posted to them
  - who spoil or damage a voting document previously posted to them
- Special votes will be available from Friday 17 September 2004 until noon on Saturday 9 October 2004 at the Civic Offices, 163 Tuam Street, Christchurch.
- Special votes can be posted directly out to applicants. The completed voting document must be returned to the Electoral Officer by noon on election day.
- Special votes require the completion of a statutory declaration. This is a legal requirement and a protection for electors against possible duplicate voting.
- If an elector requests a special vote and is not on the parliamentary roll (eg just turned 18 years of age), the person must enrol by Friday 8 October 2004. An application for registration as a parliamentary elector may be obtained:
  - (i) from any Post Shop; or
  - (ii) by telephoning 0800 ENROLNOW (0800-367-656); or
  - (iii) by accessing the Electoral Enrolment Centre website on www.elections.org.nz.

After voting closes, Special Vote Declarations are forwarded to Registrars of Electors for verification that the elector is eligible and has enrolled as a parliamentary elector, or forwarded change of address details.

Special votes <u>cannot</u> be collected by candidates or their assistants for distribution to electors.





- Returned voting documents are able to be opened and processed during all or part of the voting period before the close of voting.
- The early processing of voting documents involve the following functions:
  - opening envelopes
  - extracting voting documents
  - checking for informal or duplicate votes
  - electronic capture of valid votes
- No tallying of votes is undertaken until after the close of voting (12 noon, Saturday 9 October 2004).
- The early processing functions are undertaken with strict security measures. One or more Justices
  of the Peace observe all early processing functions, and sign a statement at the end of the
  processing that all functions were undertaken correctly, in full compliance with the strict legal
  requirements.
- Candidate scrutineers are <u>not</u> permitted to observe the early processing functions.

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### 15 Scrutineers



- Candidates may appoint scrutineers to oversee various functions of the election. These functions are:
  - the scrutiny of the roll
  - the preliminary count (after 12 noon on election day)
  - the official count
- Each candidate may appoint one or more scrutineers for each of the above functions, but only one scrutineer for each candidate may be present at any one time.
- A scrutineer cannot be:
  - a candidate;
  - a member or employee of any local authority or community board for an election being conducted;
  - under 18 years old.
- Each scrutineer must be appointed by a candidate, such appointment to be in writing to the Electoral Officer. For a person to be appointed a scrutineer, the letter of appointment must be received by the Electoral Officer no later than 12 noon on Friday 8 October 2004). A sample letter of appointment is attached as Appendix C.
- Each appointed scrutineer must report initially to the Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer, when a declaration pledging not to disclose any information coming to his or her knowledge, will need to be signed and a name tag issued. When leaving the premises, scrutineers are to return their name tag to the Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer.
- Any scrutineer may leave or re-enter the place where election work is being carried out, <u>but it is an</u>
   <u>offence</u> to:
  - make known for what candidate any voter has voted;
  - make known the state of the election, or give or pretend to give any information by which the state of the election may be known, before 12 noon on election day
- The scrutiny of the roll will be undertaken at the election processing centre (located on level 4 of the Christchurch Mail Centre building at 53-59 Hereford Street, Christchurch) during normal office hours between Friday 17 September 2004 and noon, Saturday 9 October 2004.
- The preliminary count of votes will commence once voting closes at 12 noon on Saturday 9 October 2004.
- The official count of votes will commence once the preliminary count is concluded and the official declaration will be made on or about Saturday 16 October 2004.
- The role of scrutineers is to ensure that the election procedures where they are permitted to be
  present are undertaken correctly. It is <u>not</u> a means to obtain progress reports on how well
  certain candidates or parties are polling.
- Scrutineers should not distract, annoy, linger close by or talk loudly to one another so as to disrupt
  or upset election staff. All communication should be through the Electoral Officer or one of his
  assistants.
- Scrutineers are requested to make their own provision for refreshments and meals.
- The use of mobile phones is prohibited. Scrutineers will be required to hand their mobile phones in on arrival at the election processing office.

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# 16 Preliminary Count and Release of Preliminary Results



- The returned voting documents will be processed on return throughout the three week voting period. This will involve:
  - Marking the elector's name off the roll as having voted (called the Roll Scrutiny).
  - Checking for informal votes, and rejecting as informal any voting documents or parts thereof where the elector has not made his or her intention clear.
  - Recording by electronic means the votes on the voting document.

Votes recorded electronically during the voting period will not be totalled or released until after 12 noon on election day.

- The preliminary count will take place from 12 noon Saturday 9 October 2004 at the election processing centre (located on level 4 of the Christchurch Mail Centre building at 53-59 Hereford Street, Christchurch).
- Preliminary results will be emailed or faxed to candidates and the news media as soon as practicable on election day (9 October 2004). The results will also be available on the Council's internet site (www.ccc.govt.nz) or by telephoning the Election Office on (03) 941-8533.

The Electoral Officer and his staff will do all in their power to complete the preliminary count in a reasonable time. However, no guarantee can be given as to the time when the preliminary results will be available on election day, although it is expected they should be available by:

- approximately 5pm in the case of the Mayoral, Council, Community Board and Regional Council elections
- approximately 7pm onwards in the case of the Canterbury District Health Board election





## 17 Community Boards



#### **Status of Community Boards**

A community board:

- (a) is an unincorporated body; and
- (b) is not a local authority; and
- (c) is not a committee of the relevant territorial authority

#### **Christchurch Community Boards**

Christchurch City has six communities and community boards, as follows:

Burwood/Pegasus Riccarton/Wigram Fendalton/Waimairi Shirley/Papanui Spreydon/Heathcote

#### **Membership of Community Boards**

During the 2004/07 term, each of the six community boards will have a total of seven members, comprising five elected members and two appointed members, being the two Councillors representing the ward in which the community is located.

#### Standing for Both Council and a Community Board

A person elected as a Councillor and a Community Board member is deemed to be elected as a Councillor and a Community Board member <u>but</u> is then deemed to have vacated the office as a Community Board member, and the next highest polling Community Board candidate is deemed elected. (If there is no highest polling unsuccessful candidate, in this instance, an extraordinary vacancy occurs and a by-election is required.) (sections 88A, 88B, Local Electoral Act 2001)

#### **Role of Community Boards**

The role of a community board is to:

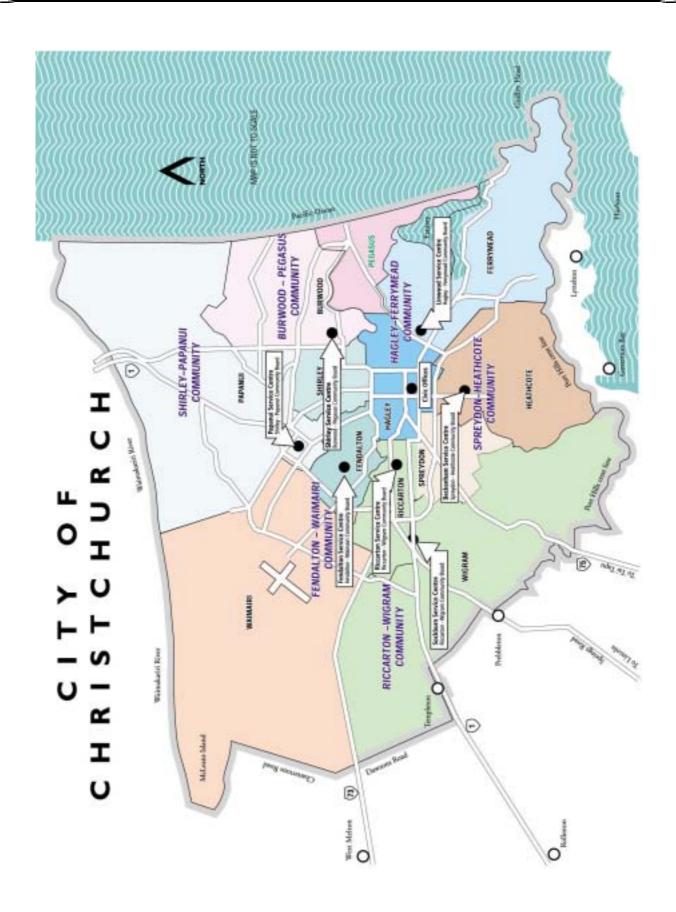
- (a) represent, and act as an advocate for, the interests of its community; and
- (b) consider and report on all matters referred to it by the Christchurch City Council, or any matter of interest or concern to the community board; and
- (c) maintain an overview of services provided by the Christchurch City Council within the community; and
- (d) prepare an annual submission to the Christchurch City Council for expenditure within the community; and
- (e) communicate with community organisations and special interest groups within the community;
- (f) undertake any other responsibilities that are delegated to it by the Christchurch City Council.

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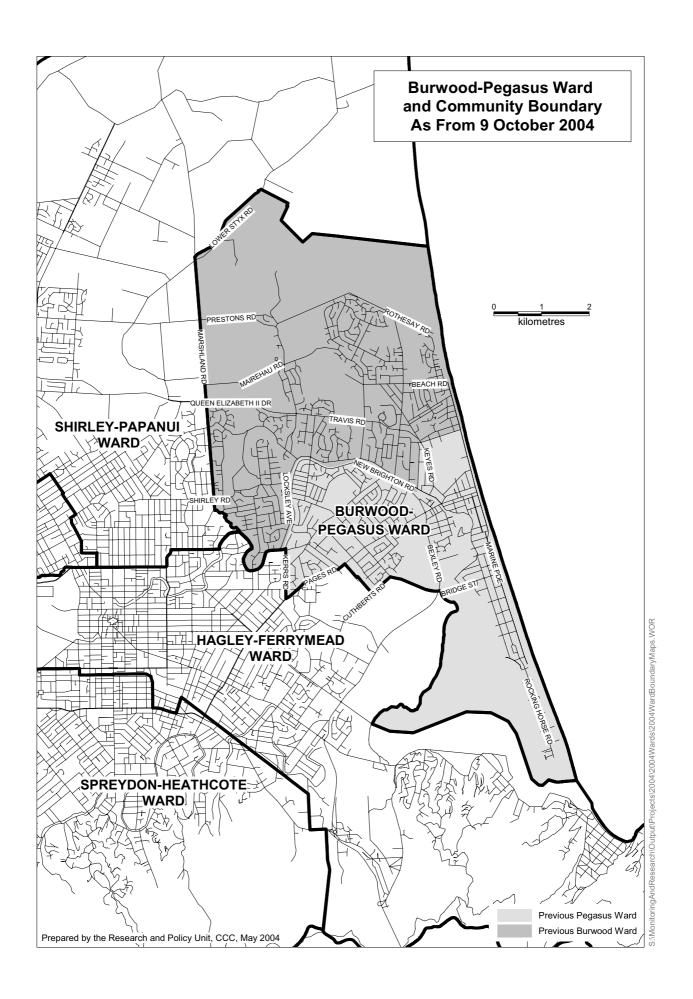


## 18 Ward/Community Maps

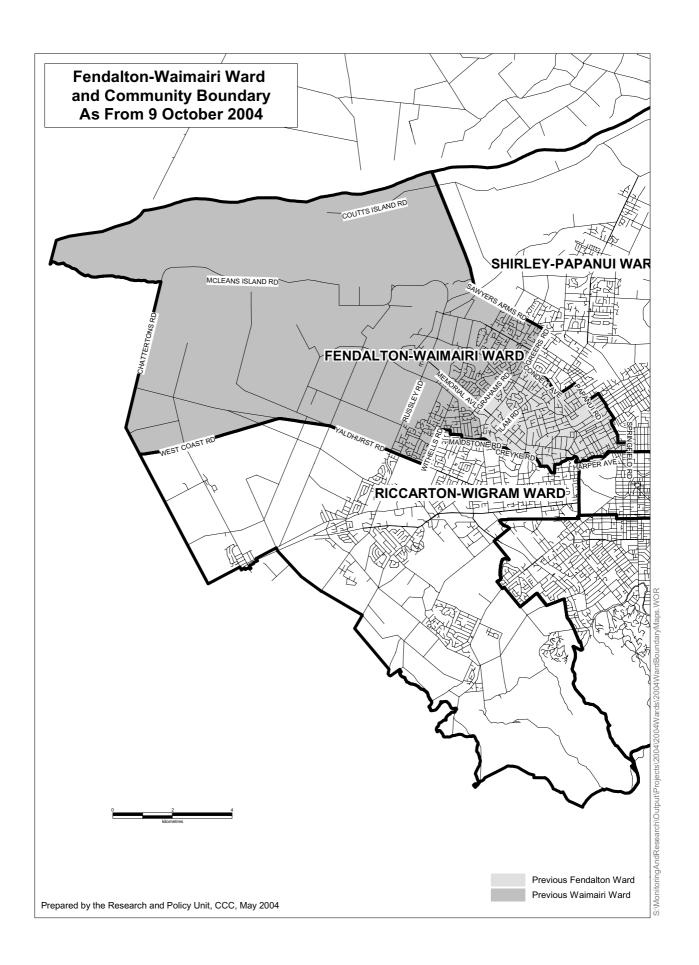




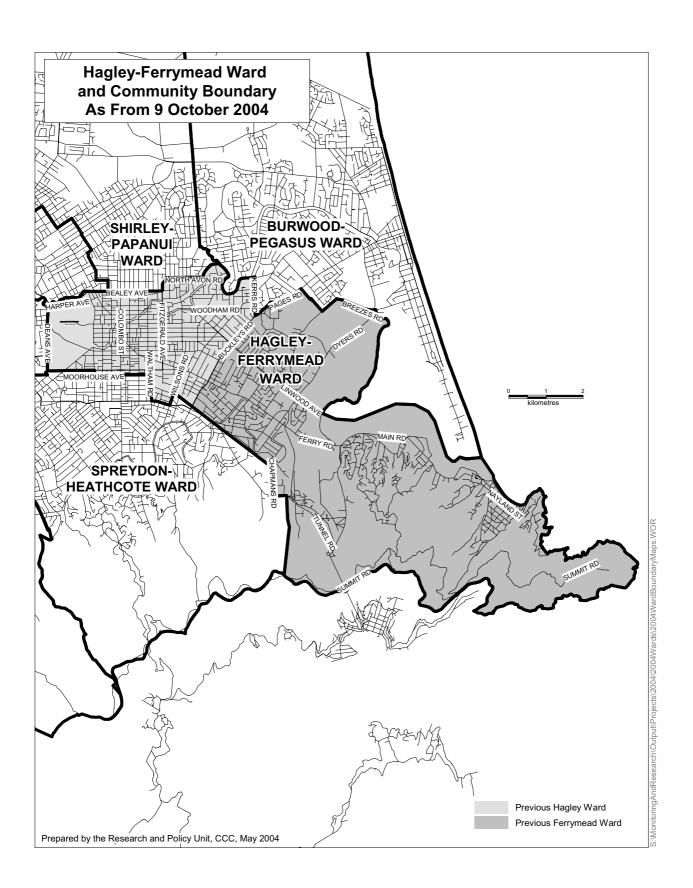




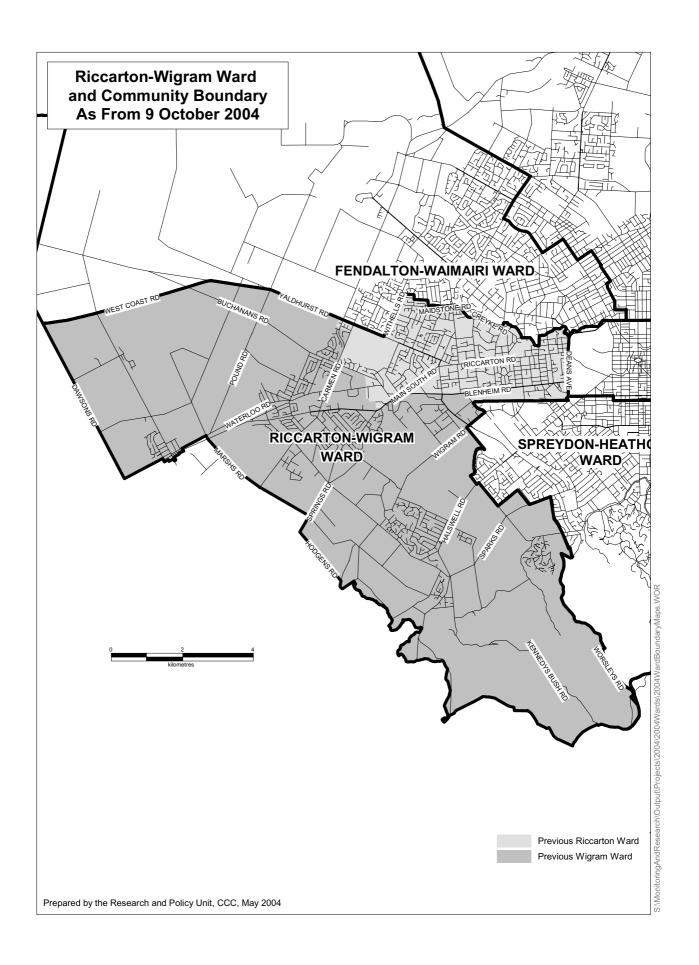


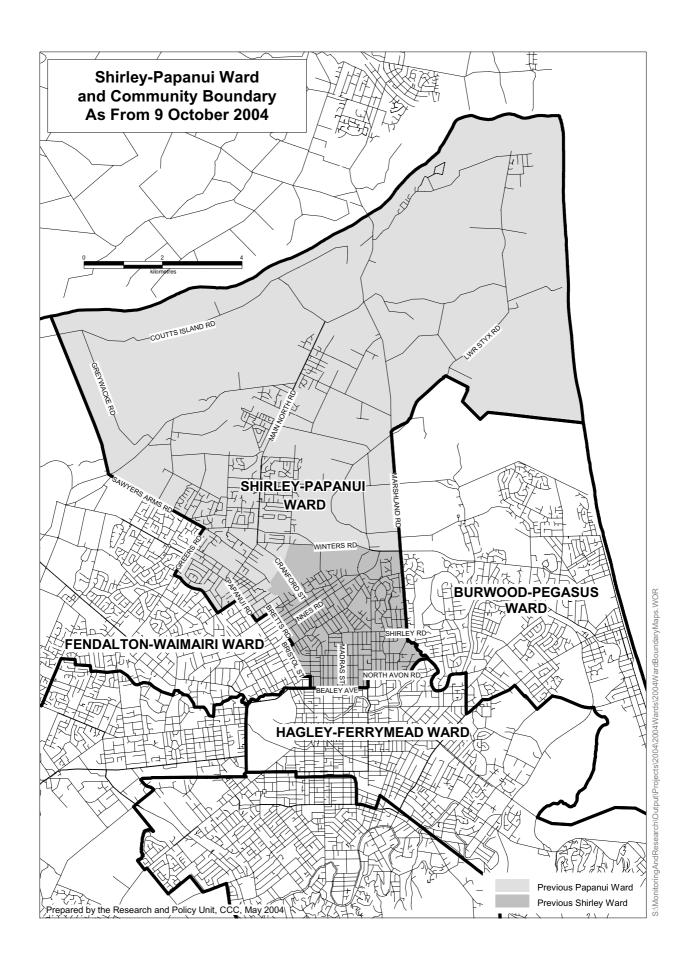




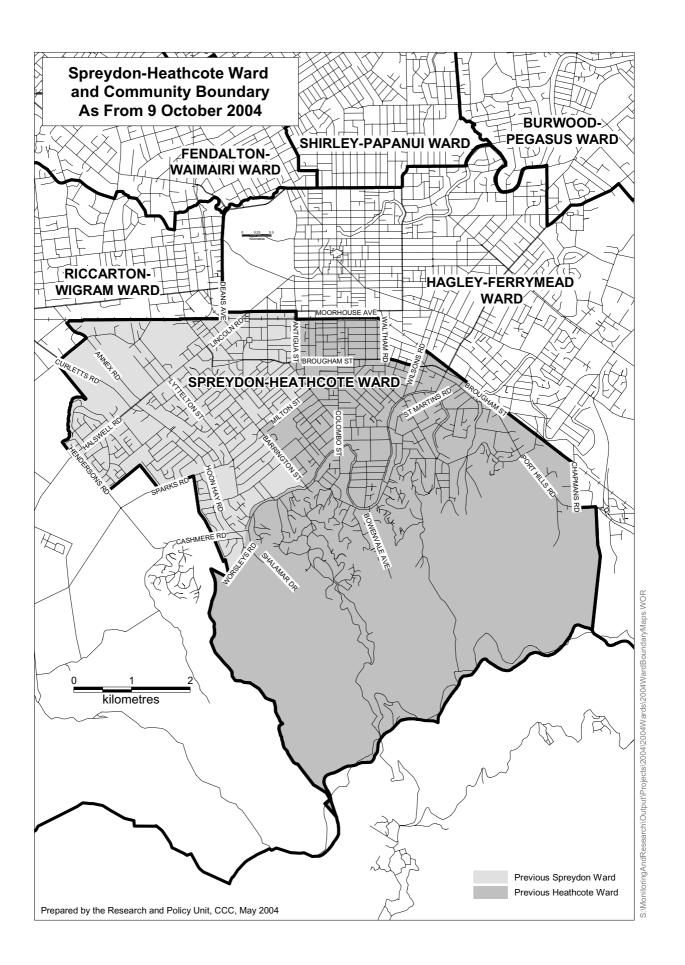




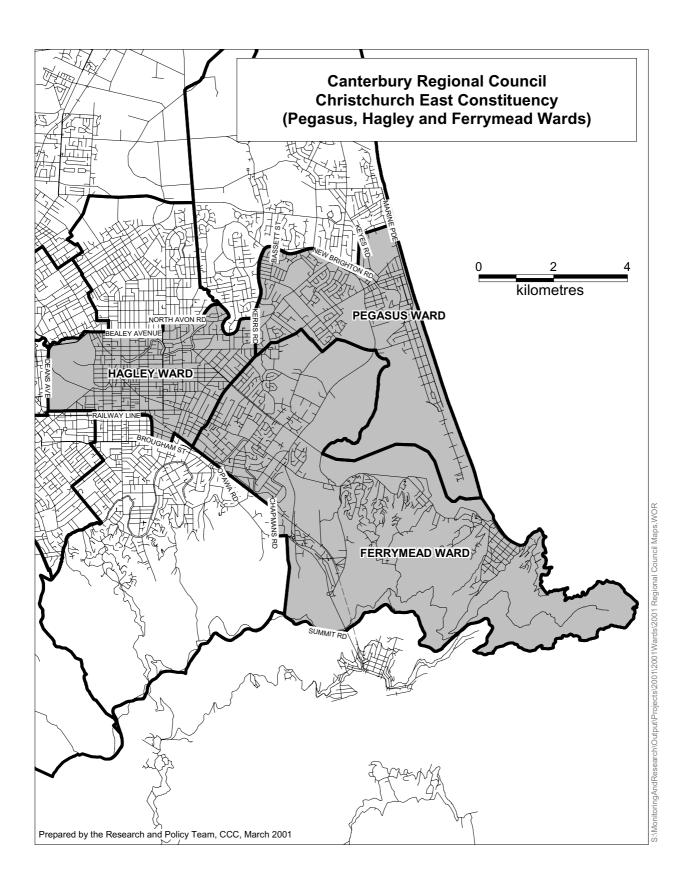




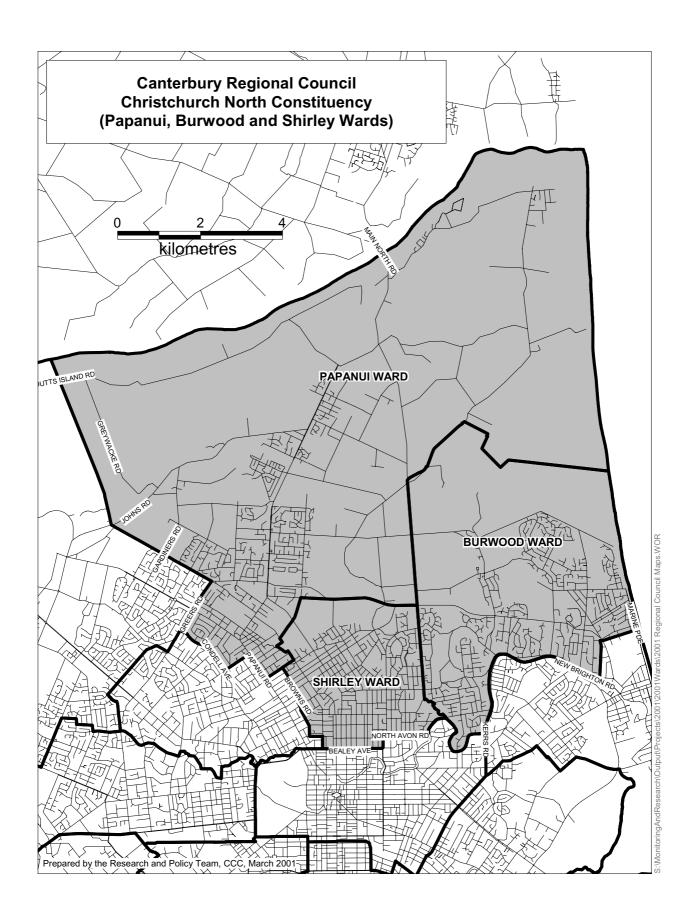




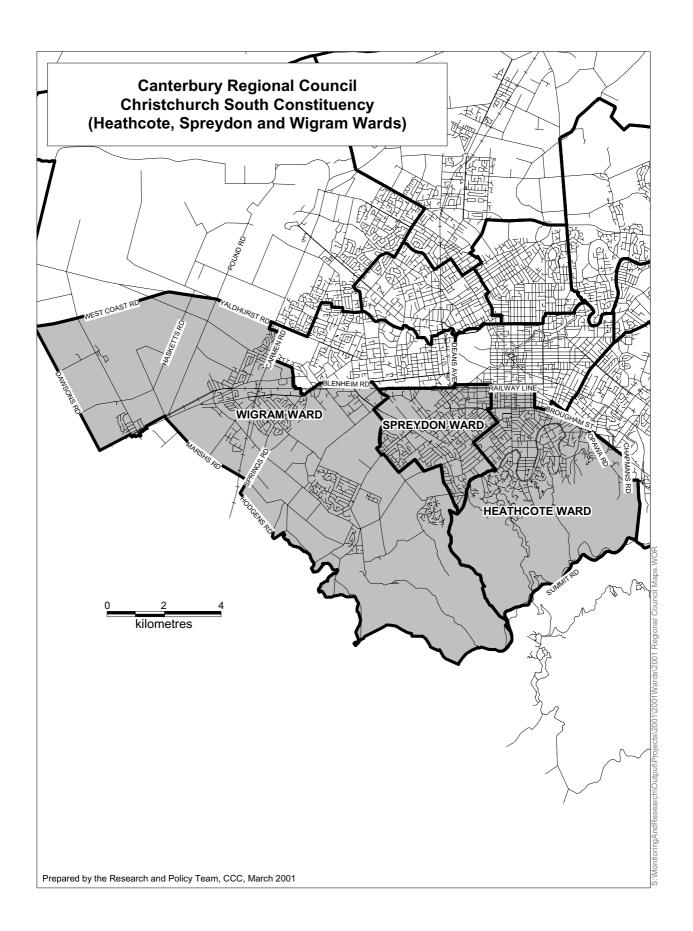


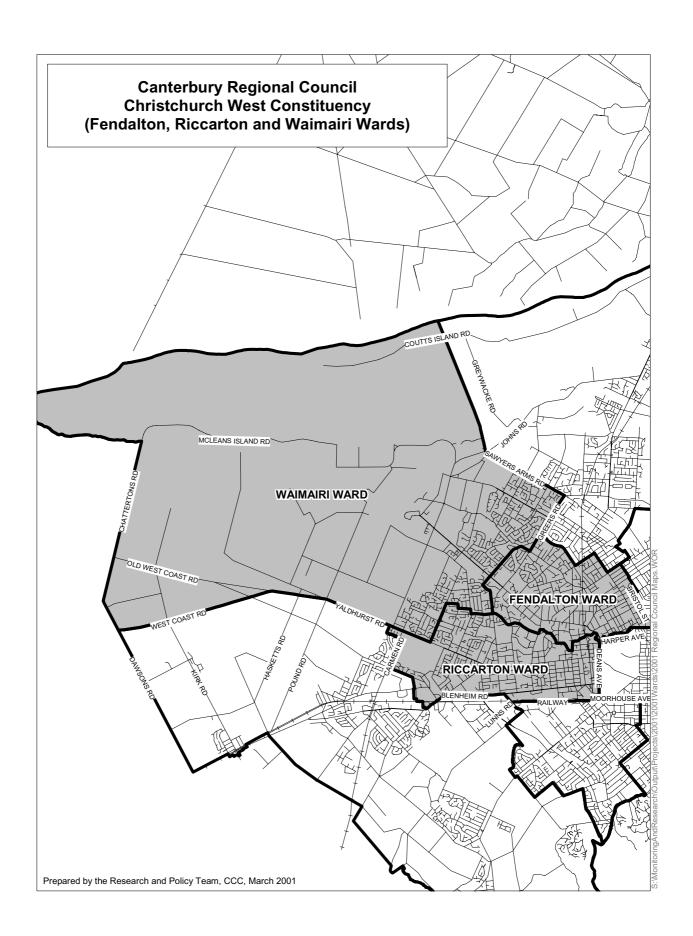




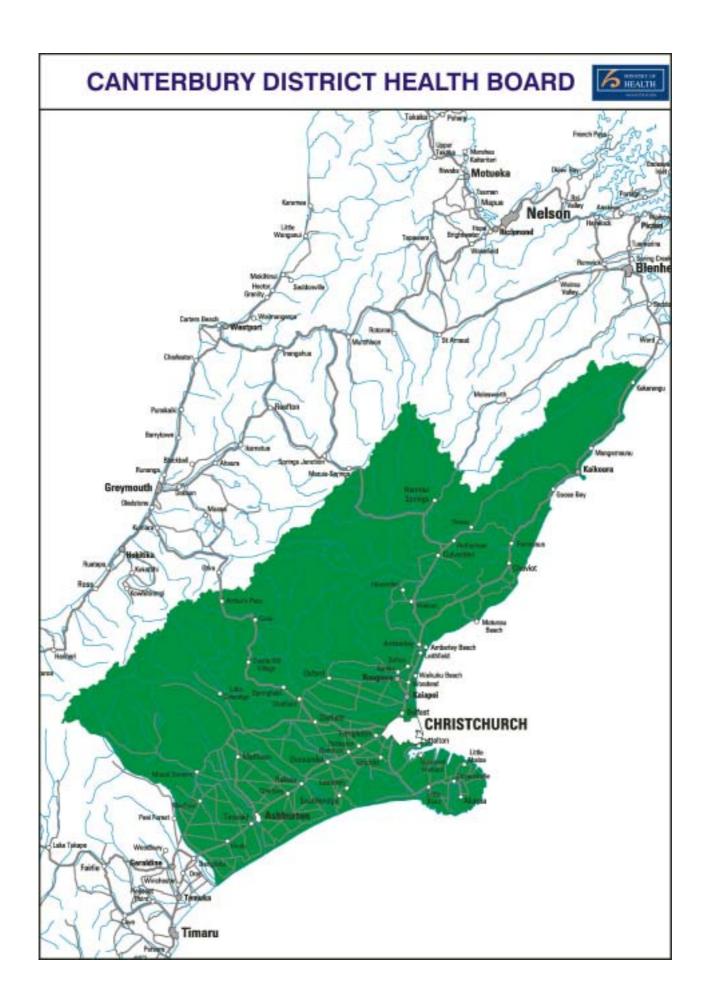
















### 19 Election Offences



Electoral officers have a duty, under the Local Electoral Act, to report offences to the police (except failure to file a return of electoral expenses under s109 as set out in s138(2)). This applies to the receipt of any written complaint that an offence, under the Act, has been committed or where the electoral officer becomes aware for any other reason that an offence may have been committed.

The following table summarises the offence provisions of the Local Electoral Act. This is a general summary only and is intended to give a broad idea of the types of offences. The full provisions of the Act relating to election offences are set out on pages 49 to 54.

| Summary of Offences Relating to Elections and Polls |  |  |   |          |
|---|--|--|---|----------|
| 14  | Offence                                |  | Maximum   |          |
| Item  | Туре                                   | Description  | Penalty   | Ref.     |
| 1   | Illegal nomination                     | <ul><li>Nominated as candidate while incapable</li><li>Nominating candidate who is incapable</li><li>Nominator not qualified</li></ul>   | \$2,000   | s121 LEA |
| 2   | Interfering with or influencing voters | <ul><li>Interfering with voters</li><li>Imitation voting document</li><li>Unauthorised instructions to voter(s)</li></ul>  | \$5,000   | s122 LEA |
| 3   | Official documents                     | <ul> <li>Intentional alteration to voting or other official document</li> <li>Forged document(s) or marks</li> <li>Unauthorised supply of voting document</li> <li>Unauthorised possession of voting document</li> <li>Intentional interference with ballot box or box/parcel of voting documents</li> </ul> | Electoral officer<br>or electoral<br>official – 2 years<br>imprisonment<br>Other person –<br>6 months<br>imprisonment | s123 LEA |
| 4   | Voting                                 | <ul> <li>More than once at same s124 election or<br/>poll LEA</li> <li>Interference with vote already cast</li> </ul>  | 2 years<br>imprisonment   | s124 LEA |
| 5   | Bribery                                | Influencing behaviour to vote or refrain from voting by offering:  • Money or valuable consideration  • Employment or office  • Gifts, loans, promises, agreements   | 2 years<br>imprisonment   | s125 LEA |
| 6   | Treating                               | Offering and/or accepting food, drink, entertainment or provision  | 2 years imprisonment  | s126 LEA |
| 7   | Undue Influence                        | Use or threaten:     Force     Violence     Restraint Abduction, duress or fraudulence   | 2 years<br>imprisonment   | s127 LEA |
| 8   | Personation                            | Vote in the name of another person     Multiple voting at the same election or poll  | 2 years imprisonment  | s128 LEA |
| 9   | Infringement of Secrecy                | Failing to maintain secrecy  | 6 months imprisonment   | s129 LEA |

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| Summary of Offences Relating to Elections and Polls |  |   |  |          |
|---|--|---|--|----------|
| 14  | Offence  |   | Maximum  |          |
| Item  | Туре   | Description   | Penalty  | Ref.     |
| 10  | Disclosing voting or state of election or poll | Unauthorised disclosure of information by official, JP or scrutineeer | Electoral officer<br>or deputy<br>electoral officer -<br>\$5,000 | s130 LEA |
|   |  |   | Other person -<br>\$2,000  |          |
| 11  | Contravention of LEA or LER by official        | Intentional or reckless act of commission or omission                 | \$2,000  | s131 LEA |
| 12  | Claiming and Paying Expenses                   | Breaches of s105 LEA  | \$5,000  | s132 LEA |
| 13  | Return of Electoral<br>Expenses                | Failure by candidate to transmit return     False return              | \$1,000 + If elected - \$400 per day until compliance            | s133 LEA |
|   |  |   | 2 years imprisonment or \$10,000                                 | s134 LEA |
| 14  | Unauthorised advertising                       | Contravention of advertising prohibition in s113(1) LEA               | \$1,000  | s135 LEA |
| 15  | Excessive expenditure                          | Exceeding prescribed maximum amount                                   | Intentionally –<br>2 years<br>imprisonment<br>or \$10,000        | s136 LEA |
|   |  |   | Other circumstances - \$5,000                                    |          |

### Full Provisions of Local Electoral Act 2001 relating to Election Offences

#### 121 Illegal nomination, etc

Every person commits an offence, and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000, who-

- (a) consents to being- nominated as a candidate for an elective office, knowing that he or she is incapable under any Act of holding that office; or
- signs a nomination paper purporting, to nominate as a candidate a person who is, to (b) the knowledge of the person signing, incapable under any Act of holding that office; or
- signs a nomination paper purporting to nominate another person as a candidate (c) knowing that he or she is not qualified to vote at the election of the person named in the nomination paper as the candidate.

### 122 Interfering with or influencing voters

- (1) Every person commits an offence, and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000, who
  - interferes in any way with any person who is about to vote with the intention of (a) influencing or advising that person as to how he or she should vote:
  - prints, publishes, distributes, or delivers to any person (using any medium or means of (b) communication) a document, paper, notice, or message, being or purporting to be in imitation of any voting document to be used at the election or poll that,-



- (i) in the case of an election, includes the name of a candidate or candidates, together with any direction or indication as to the candidate or candidates for whom any person should vote:
- (ii) in the case of a poll, includes a statement or indication as to how any person should vote:
- (iii) in any way contains or suggests any such direction or indication or other matter likely to influence how any person votes:
- prints, publishes, or distributes any instruction on the method of marking the voting (c) document that differs in any material way from the instructions required by this Act or any regulations made under this Act to accompany the voting document.
- (2) Despite subsection (1)(b), it is not an offence under that subsection to print, publish, distribute, or deliver a card or leaflet (not being an imitation voting document) on which is printed
  - the names of all or any of the candidates and the elective offices for which they are (a) candidates (with or without the name of the organisations or groups to which those candidates are affiliated, and including those who are independent); and
  - (b) nothing else.
- (3) Nothing in this section applies to
  - any official statement or announcement made or exhibited under the authority of this Act or regulations made under this Act; or
  - (b) any candidate profile statement, published, displayed or distributed under the authority of this Act or regulations made under this Act.

#### 123 Offences in respect of official documents

- (1) Every person commits an offence who
  - intentionally removes, obliterates, or alters any official mark or official writing on any (a) voting document. or other official document used at an election or poll:
  - (b) intentionally places any mark or writing that might be mistaken for an official mark or official writing on any voting document, or other official document used at an election
  - (c) forges, counterfeits, fraudulently marks, defaces, or fraudulently destroys any voting document, or other official document used at an election or poll, or the official mark on that document:
  - supplies, without authority, a voting document to any person: (d)
  - obtains or has possession of any voting document, other than one issued to that (e) person under this Act or any regulations made under this Act for the purpose of recording his or her vote, without authority:
  - (f) intentionally destroys, opens. or otherwise interferes with any ballot box or box or parcel of voting documents without authority.
- (2) Every person who commits an offence against subsection (1) is liable on conviction on indictment.-
  - (a) in the case of an electoral officer or other electoral official, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years:
  - (b) in the case of any other person, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

#### 124 Voting offences

Every person commits an offence, and is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years, who-

- votes or applies to vote more than once at the same election or poll; or (a)
- (b) without authority removes, deletes, or otherwise interferes with any voting document, or other record of a vote that has been cast.



### 125 Bribery

- (1) Every person commits the offence of bribery who, directly or indirectly, on that person's own or by another person,-
  - (a) gives. lends, agrees to give or lend, offers, promises, or promises to obtain any money or valuable consideration to or for any elector, or to or for any person on behalf of any elector, or to or for any other person, in order to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting; or
  - (b) gives or obtains, agrees to give or obtain, offers, promises, or promises to obtain or to try to obtain any office or place of employment to or for any elector, or to or for any person on behalf of any elector, or to or for any other person, in order to induce the elector to vote or refrain from voting; or
  - (c) corruptly does any act referred to in **paragraph (a) or paragraph (b)** on account of an elector having voted or refrained from voting; or
  - (d) makes any gift, loan, offer, promise, or agreement referred to in **paragraph (a) or paragraph (b)** for, or with, any person in order to induce that person to obtain or try to obtain the election of any person or the vote of any elector, or
  - (e) upon or as a consequence of any gift, loan, offer, promise, or agreement referred to in **paragraph (a) or paragraph (b)** obtains, or tries to obtain, the election of any person or the vote of any elector; or
  - (f) advances or pays, or causes to be paid, any money to or for the use of any other person, intending that that money or any part of it will be used for bribery at any election or poll; or
  - (g) knowingly pays or causes to be paid any money to any person in discharge or repayment of any money wholly or partly used for bribery at any election or poll.
- (2) An elector commits the offence of bribery if,-
  - (a) before or during the voting period at the election or poll, he or she, directly or indirectly, on his or her own or by another person, receives, or agrees or contracts for, any money, gift, loan, or valuable consideration, office, place, or employment for himself or herself or for any other person for voting or agreeing, to refrain from voting-:
  - (b) after the voting period at the election or poll, he or she directly or indirectly, on his or her own or by another person, receives any money or valuable consideration on account of any person having voted or refrained from voting or having induced any other person to vote or refrain from voting.
- (3) Every person who commits bribery is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

### 126 Treating

- (1) Every person commits the offence of treating who corruptly before, during, or after an election or poll, and directly or indirectly, on that person's own or by another person, gives or provides, or pays wholly or in part the expense of giving or providing, any food, drink, entertainment, or provision to or for any person
  - (a) for the purpose of influencing, that person or any other person to vote or refrain from voting-; or
  - (b) for the purpose of obtaining- his or her election; or
  - (c) on account of that person or any other person having voted or refrained from voting, or being about to vote or refrain from voting.
- (2) Every holder of a licence under the Sale of Liquor Act 1989 commits the offence of treating who knowingly supplies any food, drink, entertainment, or provision-
  - (a) to any person, if the supply is demanded for I or more of the purposes specified in subsection (1); or
  - (b) to any person, whether an elector or not, for the purpose of obtaining the election of a candidate or affecting the result of a poll, and without receiving payment for it at the time when it is supplied.



- (3) Every elector who corruptly accepts or takes any such food, drink, entertainment, or provision also commits the offence of treating-
- (4) Despite subsections (1) to (3), the provision of light refreshments after any meeting relating to an election or poll does not constitute the offence of treating.
- Every person who commits the offence of treating is liable on conviction or indictment to (5) imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

#### 127 Undue influence

- Every person commits the offence of undue influence-(1)
  - who, directly or indirectly, on that person's own or by another person, makes use of or threatens to make use of any force, violence, or restraint against any person
    - in order to induce or compel that person to vote or refrain from voting: (i)
    - on account of that person having voted or refrained from voting: (ii)
  - (b) who, by abduction, duress, or any fraudulent device or means,-
    - (i) impedes or prevents the free exercise of the vote of any elector:
    - (ii) compels, induces, or prevails upon any elector either to vote or to refrain from voting.
- (2) Every person who commits the offence of undue influence is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

#### 128 Personation

- (1) Every person commits the offence of personation who, at any election or poll,-
  - (a) votes in the name of some other person (whether living or dead), or of a fictitious person:
  - having voted, votes again at the same election or poll: (b)
  - (c) having returned a voting document, applies for or returns another voting document with the intention of returning an additional valid voting document or invalidating a vote already cast at the same election or poll (whether or not any voting document he or she returns is valid).
- (2) Every person who commits the offence of personation is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years.

#### 129 Infringement of secrecy

- Every electoral officer, deputy electoral officer, and other electoral official-(1)
  - must maintain and assist in maintaining the secrecy of the voting; and (a)
  - (b) must not communicate to any person, except for a purpose authorised by law, any information likely to compromise the secrecy of the voting.
- (2) No person, except as provided by this Act or regulations made under this Act, may
  - interfere with or attempt to interfere with a voter when marking, or recording his or her (a) vote-, or
  - (b) attempt to obtain, in the building, or other place where the voter has marked or recorded his or her vote and immediately before or after that vote has been marked or recorded, any information as to any candidate for whom or the proposal for or against which the voter is about to vote or has voted; or
  - communicate at any time to any person any information obtained in the building or (c) other place where the voter has marked or recorded his or her vote and immediately before or after that vote has been marked or recorded, as to
    - any candidate for whom or the proposal for or against which the voter is about (i) to vote or has voted; or
    - any number on a voting document marked, or transmitted by the voter. (ii)



- Every person present at the counting of votes must-(3)
  - maintain and assist in maintaining the secrecy of the voting; and (a)
  - must not, except as is provided by this Act or regulations made under this Act, (b) communicate any information obtained at that counting as to any candidate for whom or proposal for or against which any vote is cast by a particular voter.
- (4) No person may, directly or indirectly, induce any voter to display or provide access to his or her voting document or any copy of that document after it has been marked or transmitted, so as to make known to any person the name of any candidate for or against whom, or proposal for or against which, the voter has voted.
- (5) Every person commits an offence who contravenes or falls to comply with this section.
- (6) Every person who commits an offence against subsection (5) is liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

#### 130 Disclosing voting or state of election or poll

- (1) Every electoral officer, deputy electoral officer, other electoral official, Justice of the Peace, or scrutineer commits an offence who
  - makes known for what candidate or candidates or for which proposal any particular voter has voted for or against, except as provided by this Act or regulations made under this Act: or
  - (b) before the close of voting, makes known the state of the election or poll or gives or pretends to give any information by which the state of the election or poll may be known.
- (2) Subsection (1)(b) does not prevent an electoral officer from disclosing the total number of voting documents so far returned at an election or poll at any time during the voting period.
- (3) A person who commits an offence against subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine
  - not exceeding \$5,000 for an electoral officer or deputy electoral officer: (a)
  - (b) not exceeding \$2,000 for any other person.

### Penalty for electoral officer, deputy electoral officer, and other electoral officials 131

Every electoral officer, deputy electoral officer, or other electoral official commits an offence, and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$2,000, who is guilty of any intentional or reckless act of commission or omission contrary to the provisions of this Act or regulations made under this Act in respect of any election or poll, and for which no other penalty is imposed by this Act or regulations made under this Act.

### Electoral expenses

#### 132 Payments in breach of section 98

- (1) Every person commits an offence who makes a payment in contravention of section 105.
- (2) Every person who commits an offence against subsection (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000.

#### 133 Failure to transmit return

- (1) Every candidate commits an offence who fails to transmit a return of electoral expenses in the prescribed form to the electoral officer within the prescribed period.
- (2) Every person who commits an offence against **subsection** (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000, and, if he or she has been elected, to a further fine not exceeding \$400 for every day on which he or she continues to act until the return is transmitted.



### 134 False return

- (1) Every candidate commits an offence who transmits a return of electoral expenses knowing that it is false in any material particular, and is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.
- (2) Every candidate commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 who transmits a return of electoral expenses that is false in any material particular unless the candidate proves
  - (a) that he or she had not intention to mis-state or conceal the facts; and
  - (b) that he or she took all reasonable steps to ensure that the information was accurate.

### 135 Unauthorised advertisements

- (1) Every person commits an offence who willfully contravenes section 113(1).
- (2) Every person who commits an offence against **subsection** (1) is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.

### 136 Excessive expenditure

- (1) Every candidate or other person who directly or indirectly pays or knowingly aids or abets any person in paying for or on account of any electoral expenses any sum in excess of the prescribed maximum amount, knowing that the payment is in excess of the prescribed maximum amount, and is liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or to a fine not exceeding \$10,000.
- (2) Every candidate or other person commits an offence who directly or indirectly pays or knowingly aids or abets any person in paying for or on account of any electoral expenses any sum in excess of the prescribed maximum amount, and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 unless the candidate or other person proves that he or she took all reasonable steps to ensure that the electoral expenses did not exceed the prescribed maximum amount.

General provisions

### 137 Property may be stated as being in electoral officer

In any proceedings for an offence in relation to any voting documents or other official documents, files, records, instruments, or devices used officially for an election or poll, the property in those documents, files, records, appliances, and instruments is to be treated as that of the electoral officer at that election or poll.

### 138 Duty to take action in respect of offences

- (1) If the electoral officer at any election or poll
  - receives a written complaint that an offence under this Part has been committed; or
  - (b) believes for any other reason that an offence under this the Part may have been committed.-

the electoral officer must report that matter to the police together with the results of any enquiries made by the electoral officer that he or she considers appropriate.

- (2) **Subsection (1)** does not prevent any person from reporting an alleged offence to the police.
- (3) Despite subsection (1), an electoral officer is not required to report the failure by a candidate at an election to file the return required by section 109(1) within the period prescribed in s.section 109, if the candidate files that return promptly after being required by the electoral officer to file the return.





### 20 Remuneration



### **Members Remuneration and Expenses**

Salaries and/or meeting allowances are currently paid at the following rates:

### **Christchurch City Council**

Mayor Annual salary of \$143,232 (no meeting allowance payable)

Deputy Mayor and Chairpersons

of Standing Committees

Annual salary of \$33,440 plus \$195 per day meeting allowance

Chairpersons of Special Committees Annual salary of \$25,000 plus \$195 per day meeting allowance

Councillors Annual salary of \$16,720 pa plus \$195 per day meeting allowance

Chairpersons of Community Boards Annual salary of \$19,110 plus \$155 daily meeting allowance

Members of Community Boards Annual salary of \$10,500 plus \$155 daily meeting allowance

The Remuneration Authority has now assumed responsibility for approving elected member remuneration for individual city, district and regional councils. Each council is required to submit a proposed remuneration structure to the Authority for its approval, within a total pool amount established for that council by the Authority. In the case of Christchurch City, the remuneration pool currently amounts to \$1,425,760. In the period between the date of the election and approximately February 2004, interim salaries will apply in respect of the positions of Mayor, Councillor and Community Board member. It is expected that the quantum of these interim salaries will be announced by the Remuneration Authority in July 2004.

Following the elections, the incoming Council will be required to agree on a proposed remuneration structure, and submit its proposal to the Remuneration Authority for approval. In the case of the Deputy Mayor, chairpersons of standing committees and community boards, any resulting increases in salaries can be backdated to the date on which they were appointed as chairperson. However, should the agreed remuneration structure approved by the Remuneration Authority include both salary and meeting fees, there will be no backdating of meeting fees.

### **Canterbury Regional Council**

Chairperson \$115,272
Deputy Chairperson \$47,300
Committee Chairpersons \$40,300-\$47,300
Councillors \$38,300

### Canterbury District Health Board

**Board Members** 

Chairperson \$48,000 pa Deputy Chair \$30,000 pa Member \$24,000 pa

Statutory Advisory Committees (comprising both Board and Community members) paid pro-rata up to 10 meetings per year, ie

Chairperson \$3,125 maximum (ie \$312.50 per meeting)
Member \$2,500 maximum (\$250 per meeting)





### 21 Governance Issues



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### The Purpose of Local Government

The Local Government Act 2002 outlines the purpose of local government in New Zealand.

The purpose of this Act is to provide for democratic and effective local government that recognises the diversity of New Zealand communities; and, to that end, this Act---

- (a) states the purpose of local government; and
- (b) provides a framework and powers for local authorities to decide which activities they undertake and the manner in which they will undertake them; and
- (c) promotes the accountability of local authorities to their communities; and
- (d) provides for local authorities to play a broad role in promoting the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of their communities, taking a sustainable development approach.

### **Treaty of Waitangi**

In order to recognise and respect the Crown's responsibility to take appropriate account of the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and to maintain and improve opportunities for Maori to contribute to local government decision-making processes, Parts 2 and 6 of the Local Government Act provide principles and requirements for local authorities that are intended to facilitate participation by Maori in local authority decision-making processes.

### **Regional Councils**

Regional councils are responsible for promoting the sustainable management of natural and physical resources, for ensuring that environmental planning is carried out in an integrated fashion and for carrying out a number of other regional functions. Their activities include:

- Air quality
- Civil defence emergency management
- Coastal environment
- Energy
- Land
- Natural hazards
- Navigation safety
- Pests and biosecurity
- Public passenger transport
- Regional land transport
- Waste, hazardous substances and contaminated sites
- Water quality, quality and ecosystems

### **Territorial Authorities (City or District Councils)**

They focus on providing local services and on detailed land use planning and subdivisional control in response to the needs of the local community. Their functions are:

- regulatory they issue and enforce laws in their district
- providing community services



### **Community Boards**

Community boards can be set up as an additional council structure in any city or district in New Zealand, primarily to ensure the interests of smaller groupings within the overall community are represented. Boards operate within city or district councils and exercise powers delegated by that council.

### **District Health Boards**

District Health Boards are responsible for providing or buying Government funded health care services for the population of a specific geographical area.

The statutory objectives of DHBs are to improve, promote and protect the health of communities; to promote the integration of health services, especially primary and secondary care services, and to promote effective care or support of those in need of personal health services or disability support.

### **Membership of Boards**

The board of each District Health Board comprises up to 11 members - seven members and up to four government-appointed members.

Persons intending to stand for election as a Board member, and persons proposed to be appointed as members must provide a statement completed by the person in good faith that:

- (a) discloses any conflicts of interest that the person has with the DHB as at the date on which the statement is completed, or states that the person has no such conflicts of interest as at that date; and
- (b) discloses any such conflicts of interest that the person believes are likely to arise in future, or states that the person does not believe that any such conflicts are likely to arise in future.





### 22 Mayors and Chairpersons



The Christchurch City Council has a Mayor, who is elected by all electors in Christchurch City.

The Canterbury Regional Council and each of the six community boards have Chairpersons, who are elected by their members.

The Canterbury District Health Board has a Chairperson, who is appointed by the Minister of Health.

Mayors and Chairpersons are the presiding members of their councils and boards - it is the council or board that is the decision-making body.

Committee Chairpersons, Deputy Mayors and Deputy Chairpersons are elected by the members.

The Mayor of Christchurch and the Chairperson of the Canterbury Regional Council become Justices of the Peace during the time they hold office.



### 23 Requirements and **Time Commitments of Members**



- There is no defined job description for Mayors, Chairpersons, Councillors or Community Board members. However, members must known or learn:
  - Their council's administrative system as it applies to elected members (e.g. Standing Orders; Council and Committee procedures; services and facilities for Councillors; finance);
  - The organisation of, and services provided by the Council;
  - The roles of members and officers respectively;
  - How to handle complaints and enquiries from constituents; and
  - The essential requirements of the relevant law.
- The Deputy Mayor (in the case of the City Council) and Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson (in the case of the Regional Council) are elected by the members of their respective Councils, usually at the inaugural meeting. The Deputy Mayor and Deputy Chairperson are required to deputise for the Mayor or Chairperson whenever they are absent or unavailable. This includes chairing meetings of the Council and attending to other duties normally carried out by the Mayor (in the case of the City Council) or the Chairperson (in the case of the Regional Council).
- The Chairperson of the Canterbury District Health Board is appointed by the Minister of Health.
- Each Community Board also elects a Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson at its inaugural meeting.
- Some Councillors are elected by the members of the Council as Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson of a Council committee. Committee Chairpersons are responsible for chairing meetings of their committees, and also for assisting in the preparation of agendas for their committee meetings. The election of Committee Chairpersons and Deputy Chairpersons usually occurs at the inaugural meeting.
- Otherwise, the duties of Councillors and Community Board members, as established by practice and custom, include:
  - Attending and participating at meetings.
  - Reading agendas and other material before meetings.
  - Attending to enquiries from members of the public.
  - Attending or hosting functions.
  - Representing the Council or Board on related organisations, where appointed.
  - Attending and participating at conferences and seminars.
- Before commencing their duties, Councillors and Board members are required to make a declaration at the inaugural meeting.
- The amount of time which each elected member devotes to Council, Board or Community Board affairs is personal and depends on their own particular circumstances. However, candidates should not underestimate the demands which will be made on their time if elected. Depending on the role (Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Committee Chair, Councillor, Community Board Chair or Community Board member) the time commitment can be significant. Candidates need to be aware that election to public office can have a significant effect on family life, and on their personal circumstances. This can range from needing to take time off work to attend meetings, to attending night meetings, receiving telephone calls at all times of the day and night, or being asked by constituents to discuss issues when shopping at the supermarket, watching sport, attending cultural or entertainment events or even walking the dog. Some members of the community see elected representatives as being available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The following list gives a rough guide as to the time requirements involved in the positions shown:

### **Christchurch City Council**

Mayor

Deputy Mayor and Chairpersons of Standing Committees and Community Boards

Councillors

**Community Board members** 

full time

- between 20 and 60 hours or more per week

- between 20 and 40 hours or more per week

- approximately 10 hours per week

### **Canterbury Regional Council**

Chairperson

Deputy Chairperson and Chairpersons of Standing Committees

Councillors

full time

between 20 and 60 hours or more per week

- between 20 and 40 hours or more per week

### **Canterbury District Health Board**

Time requirements for board members vary from DHB to DHB, depending on the way the board works, how efficiently members work and on members' experience.

Board members should be prepared to commit the equivalent of about 60 days per year for board business. This includes preparation time, board meetings, committee meetings and community liaison activities.





### **24 Management Structure and Council Staff** (@



- Staff are headed by the Chief Executive who is directly responsible to the elected members for:
  - Implementing decisions of the Council or Board
  - Advising members
  - Ensuring all functions, duties and powers are properly performed
  - Ensuring the effective, efficient and economic management of the activities of the Council or Board
- The Chief Executive is the only staff member appointed by the elected members. All other staffing responsibilities are conferred on the Chief Executive. Elected members cannot *reach down* to appoint middle level staff, or tell those staff what to do.
- The key role of staff is to implement decisions of the Council, to provide advice to the Council, its Committees and Community Boards; to ensure that all functions, duties and powers are properly performed, and to ensure the effective, efficient and economic management of the activities of the Council and Community Boards.





### 25 Accountability



- Under the Local Government Act 2002, a local authority, in performing its role, must act in accordance with the following principles:
  - (a) a local authority should---
    - conduct its business in an open, transparent, and democratically accountable manner;
       and
    - (ii) give effect to its identified priorities and desired outcomes in an efficient and effective manner:
  - (b) a local authority should make itself aware of, and should have regard to, the views of all of its communities; and
  - (c) when making a decision, a local authority should take account of---
    - (i) the diversity of the community, and the community's interests, within its district or region; and
    - (ii) the interests of future as well as current communities; and
    - (iii) the likely impact of any decision on each aspect of well-being referred to in section 10:
  - (d) a local authority should provide opportunities for Maori to contribute to its decision-making processes:
  - (e) a local authority should collaborate and co-operate with other local authorities and bodies as it considers appropriate to promote or achieve its priorities and desired outcomes, and make efficient use of resources; and
  - (f) a local authority should undertake any commercial transactions in accordance with sound business practices; and
  - (g) a local authority should ensure prudent stewardship and the efficient and effective use of its resources in the interests of its district or region; and
  - (h) in taking a sustainable development approach, a local authority should take into account---
    - (i) the social, economic, and cultural well-being of people and communities; and
    - (ii) the need to maintain and enhance the quality of the environment; and
    - (iii) the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations.
- Councils are required by the Local Government Act to prepare and adopt a Long Term Council Community Plan. Members of the public have an opportunity for input into these plans and other major policies and projects through consultation processes, including the special consultative procedure prescribed by the Local Government Act. Under this procedure, public notice is given of council proposals, following which members of the public have one month to make written submissions and, if they wish, appear before a council committee to be heard in support of their submissions.
- Councils are also required to prepare an *Annual Report*. This is a public report which sets out how
  well the council has carried out its stated policies and objectives, as set out in the corresponding
  Council Community Plan.
- Accountability of a council is also maintained through:
  - Triennial local authority elections.
  - The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 which promotes the open conduct of local authority meetings and prescribes rights of access to information.
  - Scrutiny of council decisions and activities by the Ombudsman, the Controller and Auditor-General, the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, and the Privacy Commissioner.
  - Scrutiny by a review authority appointed by the Minister of Local Government, where it is considered that there has been serious mis-management.

In the case of the Canterbury District Health Board, the role of the Board and the duties of Board members are prescribed by Sections 26 and 27 of the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000, which provide:

#### 26 Role of board

- (1) All decisions relating to the operation of a DHB are to be made by or under the authority of its
- The board of a DHB has all powers necessary for the governance and management of the (2) DHB.
- (3) The board of a DHB must delegate to the chief executive of the DHB, under clause 39 of Schedule 3, the power to make decisions on management matters relating to the DHB, but any such delegation may be made on such terms and conditions as the board thinks fit.
- This section does not limit clause 44 of Schedule 3. (4)

#### **Duties of board members** 27

- A board member of a DHB, when exercising powers or performing duties as a board (1) member, must act
  - in good faith; and (a)
  - (b) with reasonable care, diligence, and skill; and
  - with honesty and integrity; and (c)
  - (d) in accordance with any code of conduct that applies to Crown entities.

#### (2) The board of a DHB-

- must ensure that the DHB acts in a manner consistent with the functions of the DHB, and with the DHB's district strategic plan, annual plan, statement of intent, and any directions or requirements given under section 32 or section 33;
- (b) must not act, or agree to the DHB or any subsidiary of the DHB acting, in a manner that contravenes this Act or any other Act;
- must ensure that the activities of the entity, and those of its subsidiaries, are conducted efficiently and effectively and in a manner consistent with the spirit of service to the public;
- must have regard to the interests of creditors of the DHB, and endeavour to ensure (d) that the DHB operates in a financially responsible manner in accordance with section 41.





### **26 Members' Interests and Disqualifying Contracts**



- Prospective candidates should be aware of the requirements of the Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968.
- This Act provides that a person is ineligible to be elected or appointed to an authority if they have a disqualifying contract or contracts exceeding \$25,000 in aggregate in the financial year in which the election or appointment takes place. When payments exceed \$25,000 the elected member concerned is automatically disqualified from office. He or she also commits an offence if he or she continues to act as a member. These basic rules apply equally to candidates, and sitting members. Every candidate for election or appointment to an authority should consider whether they might be ineligible under this rule.

### **Exceptions**

Certain types of contracts will not disqualify a candidate from election of appointment. A candidate will not be disqualified who has a contract with the authority that falls within either of the following two categories:

- Before the election or appointment, all of the candidate's obligations in respect of the contract have been formed and the amount to be paid by the authority has been fixed.
- Although the candidate's obligations under the contract may not have been performed before the election or appointment, the amount to be paid by the authority (or the method of determining the amount to be paid) has been fixed in the contract, and:
  - the contract is for a period of not more than one year, or
  - with the authority's consent, the candidate relinquishes the contract within one month of election or appointment and before starting to act as a member.

In all other cases a person is ineligible to be a member, unless the person terminates or surrenders the contract. The Audit Office cannot give either prior or retrospective approval for contracts between a candidate and an authority.

### What if you are re-elected or re-appointed?

If you are:

- re-elected to the authority at a general election; or
- reappointed to the authority at any time,

your membership is considered unbroken under the Act. If you have been granted an approval for a disqualifying contract, and you are re-elected or re-appointed to the authority during the financial year to which the approval relates, the approval remains valid.

Re-election or re-appointment also overcomes a disqualification from the previous term. However, you could still be prosecuted for acting as a member while disqualified during the previous term.

- Under Section 6 of the Act, elected members may not discuss or vote on any matter in which they have a pecuniary interest when it is being considered by the council, board or a committee thereof. Elected members failing to observe this prohibition commit an offence and can be prosecuted. Conviction leads to disqualification from office.
- When a matter is raised at a meeting of the council, board or a committee thereof in which a member has a pecuniary interest, the member prohibited from voting or discussing the matter must declare the pecuniary interest. The fact of that disclosure and abstention from discussion and voting on it is also recorded in the minutes. While it is not necessary to withdraw from the meeting, it is good practice to do so.





### **27 Post-Election Processes**



### Mayor, Council, Community Boards and Regional Councils

The successful candidates will take office on the day after the Electoral Officer gives his official notification of the result of the election. However, no person is permitted to act as a member before making a declaration.

The declarations are made at the inaugural meetings, held in November 2004.

The business to be conducted at the inaugural meetings is as follows:

- (a) The making and attesting of the declarations required of the Mayor and members.
- (b) The election of the Chairperson (if any) and the making and attesting of the declaration required of the Chairperson.
- A general explanation of: (c)
  - (i) The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987; and
  - (ii) Other laws affecting members including the appropriate provisions of the Local Authorities (Members Interests) Act 1968, sections 99, 105, and 105A of the Crimes Act 1961, and the Secret Commissions Act 1910.
- The fixing of the date and time of the first ordinary meeting of the authority, or the adoption of a (d) schedule of ordinary meetings.

Once members have been sworn in, a series of briefings, training and induction processes will be provided to assist elected members to settle into their duties as quickly and efficiently as possible.

This process will enable briefings to be given on key projects and issues and the Long Term Council Community Plan process.

Specific skill training will be offered in some areas, such as the hearing of applications for resource consent under the Resource Management Act.

### **Appointment to Outside Organisations**

The Christchurch City Council appoints both Councillors and Community Board members to a wide range of external organisations either as a result of statutory requirements ie Trust Boards or by longstanding arrangement with particular organisations.

Examples of these are the Riccarton Bush Trust, the Canterbury Museum Trust Board and the Arts Centre of Christchurch.

### **Canterbury District Health Board**

Successful District Health Board candidates come into office on the 58th day after polling day.

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### 28 2001 Election Results



| ELECTION OF MAYOR OF CHRISTCHURCH CITY                           |                |           |  |  |
|--|----------------|-----------|--|--|
| Candidates   | Votes Received |           |  |  |
| MOORE, Garry (Christchurch 2021 - the Positive Choice)           | 47,142         | (Elected) |  |  |
| BALANI, George (Independent)                                     | 30,149         |           |  |  |
| FREEMAN, Gordon (Independent Citizens)                           | 14,213         |           |  |  |
| BOOTH, Robin (True Independent)                                  | 6,421          |           |  |  |
| KEOWN, Aaron (Independent)                                       | 4,422          |           |  |  |
| HARGREAVES, Penny (Independent)                                  | 2,036          |           |  |  |
| GREENWOOD, Bill (Somebody Who Cares)                             | 1,327          |           |  |  |
| TURNER, Shane (Criminal Reform in Motion)                        | 971            |           |  |  |
| BROWN, Andrew (The Party Party)                                  | 461            |           |  |  |
| MORLEY, Sugra (Independent)                                      | 429            |           |  |  |
| VERMUNT, Annalucia (Communist League)                            | 368            |           |  |  |
| McCARTHY, Robin (Libertarian)                                    | 321            |           |  |  |
| TELFER, Paul (www.chchratepayers.com)                            | 297            |           |  |  |
| HANSEN, Michael (Economic Euthenics)                             | 195            |           |  |  |
| Informal Votes   | 2,050          |           |  |  |
| ELECTION OF TWENTY-FOUR COUNCILLORS FOR THE CITY OF CHRISTCHURCH |                |           |  |  |
| BURWOOD WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS                                   | Votos Pacaivad |           |  |  |

| BURWOOD WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS                 |                |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| Candidates                                     | Votes Received |           |
| EVANS, Carole (Independent)                    | 7,091          | (Elected) |
| SHERIFF, Gail (Independent)                    | 6,924          | (Elected) |
| HAMMOND, Carmen (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 2,969          | ,         |
| ROWLANDS, Don (Labour for Christchurch 2021)   | 2,881          |           |
| Informal Votes                                 | 487            |           |
| FENDALTON WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS               | Votes Bassivad |           |

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| STEWART, Barbara (Independent Citizens)           | 5,505          | (Elected) |
| WRIGHT, Ron (Independent Citizens)                | 4,886          | (Elected) |
| WILLIAMSON, Gina (Citizens & Residents)           | 2,702          |           |
| POLE, Richard (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 2,692          |           |
| BRADLEY, Diana (Green for Christchurch 2021)      | 2,216          |           |
| Informal Votes                                    | 566            |           |

# FERRYMEAD WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates BAKER, Erin (Independent for Christchurch 2021) COX, David (Independent) CUNNINGHAM, Elizabeth Herra (Labour for Christchurch 2021) McDERMID, Graham (Independent Citizens) Votes Received 6,676 (Elected) 6,308 (Elected) 2,821



Informal Votes

278

| HAGLEY WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates CRIGHTON, Anna (Labour for Christchurch 2021) O'ROURKE, Denis (Labour for Christchurch 2021) GARDENER, Kevin (Independent) BRITNELL, Irinka (Independent Citizens) CAMERON, Rod (Independent) MORRIS, Matt (Independent) O'BRIEN, Aaron (The Local Choice) LEE, Chris (Independent Citizens) | Votes Received 2,511 1,796 1,705 1,194 1,079 1,045 801 406 | (Elected)<br>(Elected) |
|---|--|------------------------|
| Informal Votes  | 371  |                        |
| HEATHCOTE WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates WELLS, Sue (Independent Citizens) ALPERS, Oscar (Independent for Christchurch 2021) HOWELL, Ian (Independent Citizens) de SPA, Paul (Green for Christchurch 2021)   | Votes Received<br>6,071<br>4,657<br>4,422<br>3,198         | (Elected)<br>(Elected) |
| Informal Votes  | 461  |                        |
| PAPANUI WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates CONDON, Graham (Independent for Christchurch 2021) WITHERS, Norm (Independent Citizens) THOMPSON, Sally (Independent for Christchurch 2021) KAHI, George Tearoha (Independent Citizens)   | Votes Received<br>6,637<br>6,492<br>4,915<br>1,176         | (Elected)<br>(Elected) |
| Informal Votes  | 415  |                        |
| PEGASUS WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates WILLIAMS, Chrissie (Labour for Christchurch 2021) JAMES, Alister (Labour for Christchurch 2021) ANDREWS, Bob (Independent Citizens) ROYDS, Winton (Independent Citizens)  | Votes Received<br>4,618<br>4,134<br>2,880<br>1,672         | (Elected)              |
| Informal Votes  | 497  |                        |
| RICCARTON WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates BROUGHTON, Helen (Independent Citizens) AUSTIN, Paddy (Independent for Christchurch 2021) BUIST, David (Independent Citizens) FORD, Alec (Labour for Christchurch 2021)   | Votes Received<br>5,239<br>4,087<br>3,910<br>2,544         | (Elected)<br>(Elected) |
| Informal Votes  | 620  |                        |
| SHIRLEY WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS Candidates STONHILL, Ingrid (Labour for Christchurch 2021) EVANS, Megan (Labour for Christchurch 2021) BOOTH, Robin (True Independent) ROSS, Ralph (Independent Citizens) AUSTEN, Jeffrey Charles (True Independent) COLLIER, John (Totally Independent) TURNER, Shane (Criminal Reform in Motion)     | Votes Received 4,065 3,779 2,503 1,260 1,170 754 633       | (Elected)<br>(Elected) |
| Informal Votes  | 456  |                        |



| SPREYDON WARD | - TWO C | OUNCILLORS |
|---------------|---------|------------|
|---------------|---------|------------|

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| CORBETT, Barry (Independent Citizens)             | 5,199          | (Elected) |
| ANDERTON, Carole (Alliance for Christchurch 2021) | 4,361          | (Elected) |
| CLEARWATER, Phil (Alliance for Christchurch 2021) | 3,422          |           |
| WATTS, Jennifer (Independent Citizens)            | 2,866          |           |
| HANSEN, Michael (Progressive Nudist)              | 245            |           |
| Informal Votes                                    | 271            |           |

### **WAIMAIRI WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS**

| Candidates                                       | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| BUCK, Sally (The Positive One Who Gets It Done)  | 6,048          | (Elected) |
| HARROW, Pat (Independent Citizens)               | 4,690          | (Elected) |
| MURRAY, Margaret (Independent)                   | 4,092          |           |
| KU, Yiyi (Independent Citizens)                  | 2,588          |           |
| FUNG, Ronald (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 1,824          |           |
| Informal Votes                                   | 265            |           |

### WIGRAM WARD - TWO COUNCILLORS

| Candidates                                   | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| GANDA, Ishwar (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 5,103          | (Elected) |
| KEAST, Lesley (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 4,490          | (Elected) |
| SHEARING, Bob (Independent Citizens)         | 4,070          |           |
| CUMMINGS, Ken (Independent Citizens)         | 3,124          |           |
| Informal Votes                               | 368            |           |

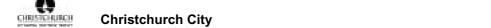
### ELECTION OF THIRTY-SIX COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF CHRISTCHURCH

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE BURWOOD WARD ON THE BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD

| Candidates                                     | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| BURT, Glenda Florence (Independent)            | 4,787          | (Elected) |
| ROWLANDS, Don (Labour for Christchurch 2021)   | 4,611          | (Elected) |
| HAMMOND, Carmen (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 4,195          | (Elected) |
| McCORMACK, Anne (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 3,538          |           |
| FRAEMOHS, Peter (Independent Citizens)         | 3,026          |           |
| MORGAN, Bill (Independent)                     | 2,470          |           |
| EAST, David (Electorate First)                 | 2,262          |           |
| ADAMS, Eric (Independent)                      | 1,267          |           |
| Informal Votes                                 | 1,062          |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE PEGASUS WARD ON THE BURWOOD/PEGASUS COMMUNITY BOARD

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| KELLAWAY, Caroline (Labour for Christchurch 2021)   | 4,908          | (Elected) |
| LEA, Andrew (Labour for Christchurch 2021)          | 4,363          | (Elected) |
| ANDREWS, Bob (Independent Citizens)                 | 3,900          | (Elected) |
| WATSON, George Rangi (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 3,585          |           |
| Informal Votes                                      | 749            |           |





### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE FENDALTON WARD ON THE FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI **COMMUNITY BOARD**

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| CARTER, Val (Independent Citizens)                | 5,315          | (Elected) |
| KUNNEN, Mark (Independent Citizens)               | 4,776          | (Elected) |
| HAMPTON, George (Independent Citizens)            | 3,739          | (Elected) |
| POLE, Richard (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 3,666          |           |
| BRADLEY, Diana (Green for Christchurch 2021)      | 3,054          |           |
| BURKE, Faimeh (Green for Christchurch 2021)       | 2,978          |           |
| Informal Votes                                    | 1,205          |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE WAIMAIRI WARD ON THE FENDALTON/WAIMAIRI COMMUNITY **BOARD**

| Candidates                                       | Votes Received  |
|--|-----------------|
| WALL, Mike (Independent Citizens)                | 6,732 (Elected) |
| COLLEY, Cheryl (Independent Citizens)            | 6,519 (Elected) |
| KU, Yiyi (Independent Citizens)                  | 5,570 (Elected) |
| FUNG, Ronald (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 4,082           |
| Informal Votes                                   | 1,262           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE FERRYMEAD WARD ON THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD **COMMUNITY BOARD**

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| FREEMAN, John (Labour for Christchurch 2021)          | 4,846          | (Elected) |
| RUTLAND, Linda (Labour for Christchurch 2021)         | 4,381          | (Elected) |
| SMITH, Dr Brendan (Independent Citizens)              | 4,299          | (Elected) |
| FAIRHALL, Shirley (Independent Citizens)              | 3,679          |           |
| McCULLOUGH, Derek (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 3,467          |           |
| MOORE, Louise (Independent Citizens)                  | 2,645          |           |
| DAKIN, Greg (Independent)                             | 1,365          |           |
| Informal Votes  | 1,110          |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE HAGLEY WARD ON THE HAGLEY/FERRYMEAD COMMUNITY BOARD

| Candidates                                    | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| TODD, Bob (Labour for Christchurch 2021)      | 2,809          | (Elected) |
| JOHANSON, Yani (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 2,582          | (Elected) |
| CAMERON, Rod (Independent)                    | 2,283          | (Elected) |
| HAWKER, Wayne (Labour for Christchurch 2021)  | 2,247          | ,         |
| O'BRIEN, Aaron (The Local Choice)             | 2,166          |           |
| BALL, David (Independent)                     | 1,444          |           |
| Informal Votes                                | 832            |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE RICCARTON WARD ON THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY **BOARD**

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| BROUGHTON, Helen (Independent Citizens)                 | 5,367          | (Elected) |
| LALOLI, Peter (Independent Citizens)                    | 3,936          | (Elected) |
| BENNETT, Dr Neville (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 3,752          | (Elected) |
| WILKIE, Alison (Labour for Christchurch 2021)           | 3,678          |           |
| FORD, Alec (Labour for Christchurch 2021)               | 2,726          |           |
| SUTCLIFFE, Tony (Independent Citizens)                  | 2,307          |           |
| Informal Votes  | 844            |           |



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### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE WIGRAM WARD ON THE RICCARTON/WIGRAM COMMUNITY **BOARD**

| Candidates                                    | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| MORA, Mike (Labour for Christchurch 2021)     | 4,747          | (Elected) |
| SHEARING, Bob (Independent Citizens)          | 4,648          | (Elected) |
| CUMMINGS, Ken (Independent Citizens)          | 3,649          | (Elected) |
| STEVENS, Kenny (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 3,260          |           |
| CAMERON, Alex (Independent Citizens)          | 2,252          |           |
| TERRIS, Joy (Independent)                     | 2,062          |           |
| KIDD, Tony (Alliance for Christchurch 2021)   | 1,953          |           |
| Informal Votes                                | 765            |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE SPREYDON WARD ON THE SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE **COMMUNITY BOARD**

| Candidates   | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| CLEARWATER, Phil (Alliance for Christchurch 2021)    | 5,714          | (Elected) |
| ANDERTON, Carole (Alliance for Christchurch 2021)    | 5,231          | (Elected) |
| MAUNSELL, Elizabeth (Alliance for Christchurch 2021) | 4,523          | (Elected) |
| WATTS, Jennifer (Independent Citizens)               | 4,394          |           |
| Informal Votes                                       | 736            |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE HEATHCOTE WARD ON THE SPREYDON/HEATHCOTE **COMMUNITY BOARD**

| Candidates  | Votes Received |     |
|---|----------------|-----|
| ALPERS, Oscar (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 5,683 (Electe  | ed) |
| GILL, Sonia (Independent Citizens)                | 4,433 (Electe  | ∍d) |
| CARTER, Lynda (Alliance for Christchurch 2021)    | 4,335 (Electe  | ed) |
| de SPA, Paul (Green for Christchurch 2021)        | 3,888          |     |
| DRAYTON, David (Independent Citizens)             | 3,642          |     |
| DOUTHWAITE, Ian (Independent Citizens)            | 2,527          |     |
| Informal Votes                                    | 975            |     |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE SHIRLEY WARD ON THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY **BOARD**

| Candidates                                   | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| CARROLL, Anne (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 4,302          | (Elected) |
| WRIGHT, Steve (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 4,107          | (Elected) |
| BOOTH, Robin (True Independent)              | 3,133          | (Elected) |
| ROSS, Ralph (Independent Citizens)           | 3,091          |           |
| DEWES, Norm (Labour for Christchurch 2021)   | 2,515          |           |
| Informal Votes                               | 1 066          |           |

### THREE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE PAPANUI WARD ON THE SHIRLEY/PAPANUI COMMUNITY **BOARD**

| Candidates  | Votes Received |          |
|---|----------------|----------|
| PALMER, Yvonne (Independent)                      | 6,828 (        | Elected) |
| BARRY, Myra (Independent for Christchurch 2021)   | 6,300 (        | Elected) |
| HILLS, Dennis (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 5,532 (        | Elected) |
| McCOUBREY, Nicci (Independent Citizens)           | 3,437          |          |
| KAHI, George Tearoha (Independent Citizens)       | 2,217          |          |
| Informal Votes                                    | 1,129          |          |



### TWO MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE CHRISTCHURCH NORTH CONSTITUENCY, CANTERBURY **REGIONAL COUNCIL**

| Candidates                                       | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| ROBERTSON, Dr Ian (Independent)                  | 13,134         | (Elected) |
| WATERS, Judy (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 10,050         | (Elected) |
| VERITY, Rex (Green for Christchurch 2021)        | 6,875          |           |
| WILLS, Tony (Independent)                        | 6,427          |           |
| O'DOWD, Jeremy (Independent Citizens)            | 6,029          |           |
| WILKINSON, Terry (Independent Citizens)          | 4,271          |           |
| Informal Votes                                   | 4,220          |           |

### TWO MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE CHRISTCHURCH WEST CONSTITUENCY, CANTERBURY REGIONAL COUNCIL

| Candidates                                       | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| CHERRY, Neil (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 12,436         | (Elected) |
| YEOMAN, Peter (Independent Citizens)             | 12,441         | (Elected) |
| ALTY, Evan (Green for Christchurch 2021)         | 9,009          | ,         |
| PAYNTER, Errold Lindsay (Independent Citizens)   | 8,417          |           |
| O'NEILL, David (Independent)                     | 5,917          |           |
| Informal Votes                                   | 3,745          |           |

### TWO MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE CHRISTCHURCH EAST CONSTITUENCY, CANTERBURY **REGIONAL COUNCIL**

| Candidates                                       | Votes Received |           |  |
|--|----------------|-----------|--|
| CAMPBELL, Valerie (Labour for Christchurch 2021) | 13,550         | (Elected) |  |
| BUDD, Richard (Labour for Christchurch 2021)     | 12,958         | (Elected) |  |
| KNOX, John (Independent)                         | 9,957          |           |  |
| Informal Votes                                   | 3.455          |           |  |

### TWO MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH CONSTITUENCY, CANTERBURY **REGIONAL COUNCIL** Candidates

| Candidates   | Votes Received |           |
|--|----------------|-----------|
| BURKE, Kerry (Labour for Christchurch 2021)        | 14,357         | (Elected) |
| SHAND, Diana R (Independent for Christchurch 2021) | 14,282         | (Elected) |
| ALTY, Peter (Independent)                          | 7,204          |           |
| NEUMANN, Neil (Independent Citizens)               | 5,778          |           |
| ALLAN, Peter (None)                                | 4,231          |           |
| Informal Votes                                     | 3,386          |           |



### FIVE MEMBERS TO REPRESENT THE CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

| Candidates  | Votes Received |           |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| BAKER, Erin (Independent)                                       | 40955          | (Elected) |
| MORRELL, David (Independent for Christchurch 2021)              | 29366          | (Elected) |
| BAGSHAW, Philip (Independent)                                   | 26574          | (Elected) |
| WILKIE, Alison (Labour for Christchurch 2021)                   | 18460          | (Elected) |
| BOOTH, Robin (True Independent)                                 | 13665          | (Elected) |
| HALL, Ian (Independent for Christchurch 2021)                   | 13114          | (Liected) |
| BRAITHWAITE, Marty (Alliance for Christchurch 2021)             | 12816          |           |
| GARVEY, Judy (Independent)                                      | 11988          |           |
| ROBERTSON, Ian (Independent)                                    | 11528          |           |
| BASHIR-ELAHI (NEE DOBBS), Lei-Anne (Independent)                | 11272          |           |
| ARMSTRONG, Stuart Grant (Independent)                           | 10861          |           |
| TALEMAITOGA, Api (Independent)                                  | 10801          |           |
| OZIMEK, Mick (None)   | 10240          |           |
| HUTT, Vicky (None)  | 9631           |           |
| RIVERS, Elizabeth (Independent Citizens)                        | 9460           |           |
| PENNELL, Di (Green for Christchurch 2021)                       | 9033           |           |
| BARRY, Gina Mary (None)   | 8923           |           |
| MCLEOD, Helen (Independent)                                     | 8381           |           |
| TONKIN, Major L (Independent)                                   | 8197           |           |
| VAN KLINK, Sharon (Independent)                                 | 7829           |           |
| MOORE, Louise (Independent Citizens)                            | 7417           |           |
| TALBOT, Sally (Independent)                                     | 7354           |           |
| SMITH, Brendan (Independent Citizens)                           | 7018           |           |
| LEIGHS, Tom (Independent)                                       | 6974           |           |
| HAY, Gilbert A (None)   | 6047           |           |
| BLAXALL, Peter (Independent)                                    | 5636           |           |
| MANNING, Jennie (Independent)                                   | 5547           |           |
| BRUCE, Judith (Independent)                                     | 5497           |           |
| PRINCE, Don (Methodist/Presbyterian/Quaker Social Issues Cttee) | 5298           |           |
| MALCOLM, Laurence (Independent)                                 | 5209           |           |
| SHERIDAN, Evelyn (Independent)                                  | 4844           |           |
| COSTER, Peter (Independent)                                     | 4800           |           |
| MOUAT, Clare (Schizophrenia Fellowship, Canterbury Branch Inc.) | 4794           |           |
| BRUNTON, Barry (Independent)                                    | 4760           |           |
| BRERETON, Ross (Independent)                                    | 4714           |           |
| CAMERON, Rod (Independent)                                      | 4405           |           |
| MURAHIDY, Leona (Independent)                                   | 4321           |           |
| HASSON, Sue (Independent)                                       | 4162           |           |
| CRAWFORD, Gray (Independent)                                    | 3649           |           |
| MARSH, Doug Grant (Independent)                                 | 3560           |           |
| SULLIVAN, Diana (Independent)                                   | 3492           |           |
| MAGUIRE, Dennis (None)  | 3416           |           |
| HASLETT, Greg (Independent)                                     | 3315           |           |
| POLSON, Ivan (Independent)                                      | 3286           |           |
| O'CONNELL, Kevin Patrick (Smoke-Free Ecology)                   | 2884           |           |
| YARWOOD, Bruce (Independent)                                    | 2846           |           |
| HANSEN, Michael (Electronic Schizophrenia                       | 2792           |           |
| (Sydenham, Wigram Group))                                       |                |           |
| SHORT, David G T (None)   | 2737           |           |
| HONA, Ruru (Independent)  | 2611           |           |
| TREMAIN, M Anne (None)  | 2458           |           |
| TE HAE, Ted Mita (Hauora Matauraka)                             | 2405           |           |
| WHITE, Paul (None)  | 2245           |           |
| HUTCHISON, Craig (Independent)                                  | 2215           |           |
| COLLIER, John Michael (Totally Independent)                     | 2064           |           |
| PEMBERTON, Tony (None)  | 2057           |           |
| BAILLIE, Tony (Independent)                                     | 2044           |           |



| Candidates                         | Votes Received |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| GRAHAM, Paul (Independent)         | 2000           |
| PROBERT, John K (Independent)      | 1997           |
| PALFI, Tib (Independent)           | 1972           |
| AUSTEN, Jeffrey C (Independent)    | 1880           |
| HERMAN, David (Independent)        | 1866           |
| JONES, Steve (Independent)         | 1736           |
| DILGER, Brian Grant (None)         | 1567           |
| MCLENNAN, Mark (None)              | 1505           |
| WRIGHT, Matt (Independent)         | 1446           |
| LYNCH, Rex (Independent)           | 1363           |
| WEAKLEY, Brian B (Independent)     | 1324           |
| MACDONALD, Richard (Independent)   | 1213           |
| EWINGS, Colin Edward (Independent) | 1069           |
| BENNETT, Robert (Independent)      | 1043           |
| RAGG, Paul Clement (None)          | 983            |
| RYCROFT, David (Independent)       | 766            |
| STOCKS, Peter (None)               | 554            |
| ASTOR, Stephen (Independent)       | 438            |
| MCKEAN, Bill (None)                | 407            |
| Informal Votes                     | 9528           |





### CANDIDATE'S STATEMENTS REGARDING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Please read these notes and the attached extracts from legislation carefully, before going to the last page and making your Statements at Parts A and B

Clause 6 of Schedule 2 to the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000:

- "When a candidate gives the responsible Electoral Officer notice of the candidate's consent to being nominated as a candidate, the candidate must also give the Electoral Officer a statement completed by the candidate in good faith that —
- (a) discloses any conflicts of interest that the candidate has with the DHB as at the date of the candidate's notice of consent, or states that the candidate has no such conflicts of interest as at that date; and
- (b) discloses any such conflicts of interest that the candidate believes are likely to arise in future, or states that the candidate does not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future."

Attached are relevant extracts from the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000 ('the Act') which will assist candidates in making the statements required by Clause 6 of Schedule 2. These relate to -

### "conflict of interest"

Section 6(1)(c) (attached) regarding a candidate being a DHB employee or spouse of a DHB employee, should be read in the light of clause 7 of Schedule 2 of the Act which states "A person is not prevented from being elected as a member of a DHB simply because the person is an employee of the DHB."

In other words, being an employee of the DHB (or the spouse of an employee) is not a bar to candidacy or election, but it does constitute a conflict of interest. As such, it must be declared in all relevant circumstances and managed strictly in accordance with the legislation. That may mean, from time to time, a member being unable to take part in discussion and / or voting, or being required to leave the meeting-room whilst certain matters are discussed.

- "spouse"
- "transaction"
- "interested in a transaction"

Please note that under Clause 17 of Schedule 2 of the Act, a person is incapable of being elected or appointed as a member of a DHB if he or she is -

(f) 'a person who has failed to declare a material conflict of interest before accepting nomination as a candidate for the immediately preceding election of a DHB.'

In the event of any remaining doubt, the candidate should seek advice CANTERBURY DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

## INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING YOUR STATEMENTS REGARDING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

### Extracts from Part 1, Section 6 of the NZ Public Health & Disability Act 2000

**Conflict of interest**, in relation to a person and a publicly-owned health and disability organisation, includes-

- (a) the person's interest in a transaction (within the meaning of sub-section (2)) of the publicly-owned health and disability organisation; and
- (b) the person's interest that would, if the person were a member of the board of the publicly-owned health and disability organisation or a member of a committee of that board or a delegate of that board, be an interest in a transaction (within the meaning of sub-section (2)) of the publicly-owned health and disability organisation; and
- (c) to avoid any doubt, the employment or engagement of the person, or of the person's spouse, as an employee or contractor of the publicly-owned health and disability organisation.

**Spouse** includes a *de facto* partner of either sex.

**Transaction**, in relation to a publicly-owned health and disability organisation, means-

- (a) the exercise or performance of a function, duty, or power of the publiclyowned health and disability organisation; or
- (b) an arrangement, agreement, or contract to which the publicly-owned health and disability organisation is a party; or
- (c) a proposal that the publicly-owned health and disability organisation enter into an arrangement, agreement, or contract
- **s6(2)** For the purposes of this Act, a person who is a member of a board of a publicly-owned health and disability organisation, or a member of a committee of such a board or a delegate of such a board is **interested in a transaction** of the publicly-owned health and disability organisation if, and only if, the board member or the member of the committee or delegate –
- (a) is a party to, or will derive a material financial benefit from, the transaction; or
- (b) has a material financial interest in another party to the transaction; or
- (c) is a director, member, officer, or trustee of another party to, or person who will or may derive a material financial benefit from the transaction, not being a party or person that is
  - (i) the Crown; or
  - (ii) a publicly-owned health and disability organisation; or
  - (iii) a body corporate that is wholly owned by 1 or more publicly-owned health and disability organisations; or
- (d) is the parent, child, or spouse of another party to, or person who will or may derive a material financial benefit from the transaction; or
- (e) is otherwise directly or indirectly materially interested in the transaction.

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### **ELECTION 9 OCTOBER 2004**

| PART 'A'                                                           | STATEMENT REGARDING CONFLICT(S) OF INTEREST AS                                                   |
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### RETURN OF ELECTORAL EXPENSES AND ELECTORAL DONATIONS

(Under section 109(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001)

| I, make the following return of all electoral donations made to me or to any person on n                                                  |                           | a candidate at the election held<br>e or on my behalf at the election |                                                |
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### **ELECTORAL DONATIONS**

(Here set out separately the name and description of every person or body of persons from whom or which any donations (whether of money or of the equivalent of money or of goods or services or of a combinations of those things) of a sum or value of more than \$1000 (such amount being inclusive of GST) and of a series of donations made by or on behalf of any one person that aggregate more than \$1000 (inclusive of GST) was received by the candidate or by any other person on the candidate's behalf for use by or on behalf of the candidate in the campaign for his or her election. The amount of each donation received is to be set out separately. If a donation of a sum of more than \$1000 was received from an anonymous person, the amount of the donation must be stated and the fact that the person who made the donation is anonymous must also be stated.)

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# CHRISTCHURCH CITY ELECTIONS 9 OCTOBER 2004

### APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEER

The Electoral Officer Christchurch City Council P O Box 237 Christchurch Fax: 941-8696

Signature of candidate

Date

**Note:** This letter must be returned to the Electoral Officer or Deputy Electoral Officer no later than 12 noon on Friday 8 October 2004