

# 2016 Local Government Elections CANDIDATE PROFILES



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to complete your  
postal voting.**



## **Step 1. Vote.**

Vote by following the instructions on your voting document.



## **Step 2. Pack.**

Put your voting document in the orange return envelope.



## **Step 3. Post.**

Seal the orange envelope and post.

## WHAT POSITIONS ARE UP FOR ELECTION

We hope you'll vote in all elections on your voting document – the successful candidates make decisions that affect us all every day so make sure you have your say.

**The Mayor** is the leader of the City or District Council.

**The City or District Council** provides communities with a wide range of local services and facilities. Councils make decisions about issues including key infrastructure (e.g water supply, sewerage, roads), local regulations, recreational facilities, parks, planning and building issues.

**Unitary Authorities** perform the functions of both City/District Councils and Regional Councils.

**The District Health Board** makes decisions every day to improve the health of people in the community – including the kinds of health services to be provided.

**You may also find these positions on your voting document:**

**Community Boards** make recommendations about local issues and how Council should spend money on local services.

**Regional Councils** make decisions about managing our region – about quality of water, soil, coastal planning, plant and pest control, natural disasters – and in some cases public passenger transport.

**Licensing Trusts** exist to sell alcohol responsibly through premises in the trust area and decide how surplus profits are returned to the community.

**A Poll or Referendum** may also be on your voting document. Your vote in these helps the Council make decisions on the issues included in the poll or referendum.

## THE CANDIDATES STANDING FOR ELECTION

- The candidates are listed under the election they are standing for.
- You can read what candidates have written about themselves and their policies in this booklet.

### **Please note**

**Although your voting document will only list the elections you are allowed to vote in, some of the candidates listed in this booklet may be standing for issues that do not apply to you.**

## MAKE SURE WE CAN COUNT YOUR VOTE

Fill in your voting document correctly

- You must follow the instructions.
- Your voting document is for you only – by law no-one is allowed to complete, deface or destroy another person's document – though note, you can ask another person to help you mark the document if you can't see well or read or write or have difficulty with English.

Get it to us on time

**We can't count your vote if it arrives late, so have it to us by 12 Midday, Saturday, 8 October 2016.**

- Don't include anyone else's voting document in your envelope.

Call us for help

- If you are not sure what to do, ring the Electoral Office number which is on your voting document.

If you do decide not to vote, please destroy your voting document.

## HE AHA NGĀ TŪRANGA E PŌTIHIA ANA

Ko te tūmanako ka pōti koe i ngā pōtitanga katoa i runga i tō pepa pōti – ka riro mā ngā kaitono toa ngā whakatau e pā ana ki a tātau ia rā, nō reira me mātua whai wāhi mai koe.

**Ko te Koromatua** te kaiārahi i te Tāonenui, Kaunihera ā-Takiwā rānei.

Ka whakarato te Tāonenui, **te Kaunihera ā-Takiwā** rānei i ngā ratonga ā-rohe whānui, whakaurunga hoki ki te hāpori whānui. Ka tuku whakatau ngā Kaunihera mō ngā take pēnei i ngā hanganga matua (hei tauira, ratonga wai, pūnaha parakaingaki, rori) ngā ture ā-rohe, whakaurunga whakangahau, ngā pāka, ngā take whakamahere, waihanga hoki.

Ka whakahaerehia e ngā **Mana Kotahitanga** ngā mahinga a ngā Kaunihera Tāonenui/ā-Takiwā me ngā Kaunihera ā-Rohe.

Kei te **Poari Hauora ā-Rohe** ngā whakatau o ia rā hei whakapai ake i te hauora o ngā tāngata o te hāpori – tae atu ki ngā momo ratonga hauora ka whakaratohia.

### **Ka kite anō pea koe i ēnei tūranga ki tō pepa pōtitanga:**

Kei ngā **Poari Hāpori** ngā tūtohutanga mō ngā take ā-rohe, ā, me pēhea te whakapau a te Kaunihera i ana pūtea ki ngā ratonga ā-rohe.

Kei ngā **Kaunihera ā-Rohe** ngā whakatau mō te whakahaere i tō tātau rohe – mō te mauri o te wai, oneone, ngā mahere takutai, te whakahaere tarukino me te kīrearea, ngā aituā taiao – i ētahi āhuetanga ngā ikiiki pāhīhi tūmatanui.

Ko te mahi a ngā **Tōpū Tuku Raihana** he hoko waipiro tika i roto i te rohe tōpū me te whakarite me pēhea te whakahoki i ngā toenga pūtea ki te hāpori.

Tērā pea he **Pōti, Tāpaetanga Pōti** anō rānei kei runga i tō pepa pōti. I konei ka āwhina tō pōti i te Kaunihera ki te tuku whakatau mō ngā take i roto i te pōti, tāpaetanga pōti rānei.

## NGĀ KAITONO E TŪ ANA MŌ TE PŌTITANGA

- Ka whakarārangihia ngā kaitono i raro i te pōtitanga e tū ana rātau.
- Ka taea e koe te pānuī ngā kōrero i tuhia e ngā kaitono mō rātau anō me ā rātau kaupapa here i roto i tēnei pukaiti.

### **Kia mōhio mai**

**Ahakoia ka rārangi mai i tō pepa pōti ngā pōtitanga anake ka āhei koe ki te pōti, ka tū pea ētahi o ngā kaitono i roto i tēnei puka iti mō ngā take kāore nei e hāngai ki a koe.**

## ME MĀTUA WHAKARITE KA TAEA E MĀTAU TE TATAU TŌ PŌTI

Kia tika te whakakī i tō pepa pōti

- Me mātua whai koe i ngā tohutohu.
- Māu anake tō pepa pōti – i raro i te ture kāore tētahi atu e āhei ana ki te whakaoti, taruweku, tūkinō rānei i te pepa a tētahi atu – engari ka taea anō e koe te tono ki tētahi atu ki te āwhina i a koe ki te māka i te pepa mēnā he uaua tō kite, pānuī, tuhi rānei, he uaua rānei ki a koe te kōrero Pākehā.

Me whakahoki mai i te wā tika

**Kāore e taea e mātau te tatau tō pōti ki te tae tōmuri mai, nō reira me tae mai i mua o te 12 karaka i te ahiahi, Rāhoroi, 8 Whiringa-ā-nuku 2016.**

- Kaua e whakaurua mai te pepa pōti a tētahi atu ki roto i tō kōpaki.

Me waea mai mō ngā āwhina

- Ki te kore koe e tino mārāma me aha koe, waea atu ki te nama Tari Pōtitanga kei runga i tō pepa pōti.

Ki te kore koe e hiahia pōti, me tūkinō tō pepa pōti.

## Nelson City Council Mayor Electing the Mayor

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### **Graeme O'BRIEN**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council area. I am also standing for Nelson City Council - At Large.

I feel strongly about participating in our local democracy. Unfortunately due to past performances I do not feel that I can vote for any of the known mayoral candidates at this time with a clear conscience. I put my name forward so that any people who feel the same have a choice.

True Democracy, Accountability and Transparency are the components of good decision making and I stake my reputation on these. To further these three core components of government I propose that a survey of important issues and spending be included in our rate demands for feedback.

This would give councillors a check on the pulse of the electorate and a better understanding of the merits of different proposals before committing ratepayers hard earned money to ideas that have never been consulted on.

For a Mayor who is committed to Putting Community First -  
Vote Graeme O'Brien.



### **Richard OSMASTON**

Money Free Party New Zealand

My principal place of residence is not in the Nelson City Council area. I am also standing for Tasman District Council - Moutere/Waimea Ward.

Are we really going to spend another three years bickering, arguing over gondolas, car parking and more roads? Or are we finally ready to move into the 21st century and start behaving responsibly?

Environmental, scientific, social and technological developments mean we could all now be living prosperous healthy lives, totally sustainably, free from the burden of debt, stress, work and exploitation.

Whether we choose them or not, technological unemployment, climate change, gross inequality and environmental catastrophe are upon us.

The only serious, rational and comprehensive solution is the Money Free, Resource Based Economy.

Without the overwhelming motivation of profit, we will be finally free from the false constraints of 'affordability' to take care of ourselves, our environment and our society.

Leaving none behind. Without compromise or exception. It's time to wake up. We can do better now. Much better. Let's begin.

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### **Pete RAINEY**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council area.

I'm a fourth generation Nelsonian and I'm standing for the mayoralty because I want Nelson to be a better place to live, for my family and for everyone.

This means initiatives such as warmer homes, more support for social housing, and improving facilities so we can be out there enjoying what Nelson's famous for.

Phillipa and I have two young sons and I want to see more encouragement for innovative businesses so there are jobs here for our young people.

As a businessman and a homeowner I don't want to be paying higher rates, but there is a lot council could achieve by using its funds more wisely.

Nelson needs a change in leadership style. With my nine years experience on council, I'm ready to be Mayor and to bring people together, on the Council and in the community, to make this the best place in New Zealand to live



### **Rachel REESE**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council area.

I love Nelson. I raised my family here and it's a huge privilege to hold the position of your Mayor.

In my first term I've restored Nelson's finances and committed long overdue investment toward upgrading stormwater, water and wastewater, recreational spaces and the environment. Workable solutions were found for CBD parking, and Trafalgar Centre while Stoke investment has started.

Successful partnerships shared costs for The Suter and School of Music redevelopments, Cricket World Cup and Light Nelson, and Rutherford Park's transformation creates a worthy anchor for the Haven, Riverside and Marina precincts. It's certainly been a busy three years.

I'm committed to leading an affordable and effective Council, which engages with the community, meets budgets, and doesn't allow one part of the community's interests to predominate over another.

After a successful first term, I now seek your vote for re-election based on your confidence that we are on track.

[www.rachelreese.co.nz](http://www.rachelreese.co.nz)

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### **Luke ACLAND**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I'm a 36-year-old husband, lawyer and father of three children (one more than last time!).

It's been a privilege to represent you as a Councillor and I'm excited to stand again.

I realise process and governance don't sound glamorous. But it's vital that everyone plays by the rules so Council's decisions are made properly, fairly, and inclusively. My goals for Council are: 1) proper processes and good governance; 2) balanced spending; and 3) informed and considered decision making. I've delivered on these promises for the last three years and I've held us to account. I promise to continue to watch out for Council's obligations to the community.

This term on Council I've been Deputy Chairperson of the Governance Committee and a member of the Chief Executive Employment Committee, Works and Infrastructure Committee and Commercial Subcommittee.

I am open. I am reliable. I'll work hard for Nelsonians.



### **Stephen ALDER**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I look forward to representing you as a Nelson City Councillor, helping make Nelson the most vibrant small city in New Zealand. A place we are proud to call our home.

Working with families to keep children safe has been the focus of my 25 year social work career at Child Youth and Family, the last 18 years in Nelson.

My contribution to the sporting community includes a current role on the Board of Nelson Cricket where I am proud to be part of the team that has brought international cricket to Nelson, and 11 years as President of the Nelson Suburbs Football Club.

If elected, I will be part of a Council that spends your rates money wisely, ensures a safe and healthy community for all, works as a team and provides quality services now and plans well for the future.

Read more about me at [www.stephenalder.com](http://www.stephenalder.com)



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### Ian BARKER

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I have a proven and common sense record of service to Nelson, currently chairing the Governance Committee which oversees Council resources, its successful Airport and Port

companies, Nelmac and its Council controlled organisations. In this term we have introduced strong governance procedures, with internal audits and wide ranging risk management.

I believe in equal opportunity for all, while sustainably achieving our core infrastructural needs with responsible debt and affordable rate increases.

Councillors should represent all citizens openly and transparently. I support the Southern link, enhancing Rocks Road, more affordable housing, retaining carparks and a safe and vibrant CBD.

Cost effectiveness of recycling and green waste needs improvement and the failure of heavily subsidised public transport to attract new passengers is concerning.

My intentions are to further strengthen the governance role of elected members, and to focus on the here and now, not on fanciful, nanny state visions.

Choose Ian Barker.



### Cindy BATT

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Kia ora koutou

My name is Cindy Batt and I am seeking your vote for election to the Nelson City Council.

I have been part of the region all my life and whakapapa to many iwi and regional settler whanau. A majority of my life I have resided in Nelson and endeavour to make a contribution to our Community. Locally I sit on a number of governing boards, committees and working parties. I would consider it Council's responsibility to represent the diversity of cultures in Nelson and build the bridges to all the communities of Nelson.

I continue to represent iwi at a governance level which has given me an informed insight into opportunities existing here in Nelson and the wider Te Taihū (Top of the South).

My priorities include sustainable economic growth, community development, inclusive decision making, acknowledgement of historical settlements, and the importance of progressive relationships.

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### **Trudie BRAND**

A Strong Voice for Nelson

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I hold a Bachelor degree in Commerce and Management, and am also a qualified Career Counsellor and Life Coach. Recently, I graduated from Massey University with a PGDipSS

Supervision.

I have worked for businesses, government and non-government organisations for almost three decades. Recently I have become an active member of the National Council of Women.

Historically, I have been an active member of various Governance Groups and Boards of Trustees and was the vice-president of the Nelson Residents Association; currently I am a committee member.

I wish to actively represent the community at a local government level. As a councillor, I would encourage public participation in decision-making and taking ownership of the decisions made by and for the people in the region, and provide a voice that clearly represents promotes and protects ratepayers' interests, by balancing the provision of core services against debt levels, and ensuring affordable rates are maintained.



### **Heather BRYANT**

Caring Communities & A Vibrant City

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I bring commonsense, experience, caring and honesty, plus skills in communication and negotiation. I'm committed to bringing a thoughtful, unbiased viewpoint; closely

examining information, leading to sound decision making for all Council issues.

A Nelson resident for 16 years, I previously served on Westland District Council but now call Nelson home and care passionately about the future of our city. Through social activities, employment and other interests, I have an extensive range of contacts in all sectors of society giving me an ability to successfully engage with the public. I serve on the Hockey Nelson, Elim Christian Centre and Elimkids Preschool Boards. An avid Makos supporter, I'm a former BBBS Mentor, love playing golf and walking the hills.

I'm married to Trevor and work as a property consultant acting for Government and Corporate clients. In this capacity I regularly engage with professionals and individuals resolving issues to achieve good results.

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### Ruth COPELAND

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

As a sitting Councillor for the last 6 years, I bring experience, insight, and contemporary thinking to the table. Although I'm Nelson born and bred, I have 13 years international business experience

behind me. I am a passionate, progressive and dynamic Woman of my time.

I am currently the Chair of the Regional Transport Committee, and sit on the Community Services, Infrastructure and Planning & Regulatory Committees.

I consistently advocate for economically focused, socially progressive and innovative sustainable solutions.

In all my decision-making I aim to:

CHAMPION people-focused urban design  
 STIMULATE CBD vitality & inner-city living  
 ATTRACT high value businesses & talent  
 ACKNOWLEDGE the future of transportation  
 SUPPORT sustainable infrastructure solutions  
 PROTECT & enhance our natural environment  
 VALUE successful community partnerships  
 ENHANCE our arts culture, festivals & venues  
 PROVIDE opportunities for our young people  
 EXPAND recreational opportunities & facilities  
 DELIVER more with less operational spending  
 DEMONSTRATE inclusive and visionary leadership



### Rosina CORNELISSEN

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

A born and bred Nelsonian, Rosina loves this city and is keen to serve its residents in Council policy and decision-making. Rosina knows she has the skills and experience necessary to do this well as

she has been a business partner, team leader, co-president of the BCNZ student association, and holds a Master of Theology. Rosina currently has a Treasurer role and works in a voluntary capacity running the Impact Community Drop-In Centre.

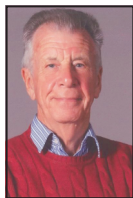
Bringing to the table a wide range of experience and interests, Rosina is a good listener, thrives on all challenges, has a strong work ethic, openness to all points of view, good people skills, integrity and financial ability.

Rosina would like to see debt reduced, rates rises kept to a minimum and a greater focus on the infrastructure necessary to support a thriving city.

It would be a privilege to serve the people of this beautiful city.

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### **Mel COURTNEY**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

With a passion for Nelson and the wellbeing of our community, I'm standing for election to the City Council. A strong, united council that will see our city grow into the future is what we need.

As Nelson's MP for six years I carved a reputation of standing up for our region. With a further nine years on the Nelson City Council, chairing the Finance Committee for three, I have an intimate knowledge of the workings of both central and local government.

I have a strong business background having owned and operated supermarkets, alongside other business interests in the Nelson region.

My focus will be on promoting policies that make our community more sustainable, resilient and connected. This is where our economic future lies!

The Nelson City Council needs elected representatives who are skilled, experienced practitioners who understand the complexities and importance of local government. That's what I'm offering you.



### **Bill DAHLBERG**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area. I am also standing for Nelson Marlborough District Health Board.

I have served seven years (current) with the philanthropic Rata Foundation (formerly Canterbury Community Trust), a \$500 million

business supporting and funding over 250 community groups across our region. I chair the Warmer Healthier Home Committee, which has insulated 260 Nelson homes in the last two years.

During 30 years in Nelson I've helped re-home Nelson Netball at Saxton Field; coached sports teams, including the Nelson Giants and Sparks; and established a financial advisory service company.

I believe I have the governance skills to communicate with our community, understand regulations, assist council to work co-operatively and make quality decisions for better community outcomes.

To fully enjoy Nelson's lifestyle we must be commercially and community savvy to deliver sustainable growth and provide the basics, while protecting our environment. My wife Sue and I have three adult children and five grandchildren. I want to further contribute to Nelson and seek your vote.

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### **Glen DAIKEE**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Nelson is a beautiful place to live and work. I feel blessed living here with my wife and son.

If elected I would bring a positive practical viewpoint and I believe in hearing both sides of issues and ideas.

With great governance I can see Nelson grow into a vibrant forward leading city within New Zealand and overseas. There needs to be initiatives to support local business and encourage diverse retail and urban living within the city. Nelson can be represented with increased local art and sculpture which could be incorporated into the entrances and cycleways of our city.

I believe in forward thinking with a strong focus on cost effective development of infrastructure and want to ensure every dollar spent is spent wisely.

I meet so many talented and hard working people from all walks of life in our community and would be privileged to represent you on council.



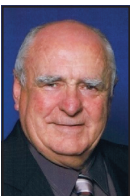
### **Sunny DALY**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I live in the Victory community. I was born in Auckland but have grown up in Nelson. I went to Auckland point and Nayland college. I'm a proud dad to an energetic, bubbly 4 year old boy who attends Victory Kindergarten. I'm a big sports fan especially rugby league and have been involved in refereeing Touch for many years.

Despite being hit by a car at a young age and sustaining a disability that affects my left arm and speech, I don't let this stand in my way from pushing for my goals and trying my best in everything I do and I have always strived to do more in my life to provide for my family.



### **Eric DAVY**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

In my 42 years with Ministry of Transport and NZ Police I developed skills in strategic planning, budgetary, financial and development areas. For 12 years I've performed capably and competently as a Nelson City Councillor, my current

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responsibility being Chairman of the Works and Infrastructure Committee. Among matters addressed includes the re-starting of deferred projects and the necessary repair of storm-damaged infrastructure to stop sewage and stormwater flowing through residents' properties.

I live in Nelson City and believe it's paramount that every elected representative has the interests of the whole community at heart and take everything into consideration, rather than attempting to see to only those of a single locality.

Nelson has to progress and I'm fully behind that. Such progress, of course, includes the future-proofing of our roading infrastructure with necessary developments like the Southern Link.

As your elected representative, you can be confident I'll listen to your concerns.



### **Kindra DOUGLAS**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I want to help make Nelson better for everyone. For our city to thrive everyone needs an affordable home, a living wage, properly resourced health & social services, flexible options

for getting around, easy access to arts and recreation, and smart strategies for responding to our changing world.

I also believe thriving businesses are vital. Council must focus on what attracts business to Nelson, and keeps it here to succeed. When we get all of this right, Nelson flourishes.

I've got a recognised track record, the experience and skills to work with council and the community to get things done.

I helped establish the award-winning Nelson Tasman Housing Trust 2004 - now owns 38 homes valued at \$11m.

I helped establish and went on to direct Victory Community Centre in 2007, won NZ Community of the Year 2010.

Nelsonian of the Year 2009 & Queen's Service Medal-Services to Community 2010.



### **Kate FULTON**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area. I am also standing for Nelson Marlborough District Health Board.

It is a privilege to be a Councillor for Nelson. If re-elected I will continue to focus on creating an inclusive, resilient and vibrant future for our

region.

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I grew up in Nelson and went on to complete a PhD in biomedical research at Cambridge University. My science background brings a unique evidence-based perspective, ensuring decision-making is considered and effective.

Working towards achieving our Vision 2060, successes include Nelson Nature, Project Maitai/Mahitahi and Brook Waimarama Sanctuary. NSOM and Suter redevelopments alongside creative hubs and pop-ups ensure Nelson's arts continue to attract people to live. Expanding our shared pathways, supporting warmer healthier homes initiatives and introducing a sugar sweetened beverages policy show leadership in supporting communities towards a healthier quality of life.

I am also standing for NMDHB because I believe my interest in wellbeing can complement the work I do on council and vice versa.



### **Kevin GARDENER**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Born in Nelson, married with 2 adult daughters.  
Vice President of Nelson Greypower.

Member of a Nelson and NZ historical society and RSA. Also Vintage Car Club of NZ and Automobile

Association 25 plus years.

A worker and employer in the motoring industry all my working life. Administrator and competitor in motorsport.

Supporting Woodburners, a Southern Link Solution, a Change to Council's Code of Conduct, Modellers pond, keeping Green waste services, lowering Council snowballing debt levels.

Opposing shifting the Library, Council social engineering and use of ratepayer monies to support private business ventures.

Using commonsense policies, commonsense principles to achieve commonsense results to the benefit of all Nelsonians, not any one section above others.

Ensure that core basic council services are maintained to the highest standards and not neglected or reduced.

Nelson City needs a Gardener - giving a backbone to Council.

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### **Robbie KAVANAGH**

Leading Nelson Forward

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Be the change you wish to see in the world... That's something I believe and act upon. A change I wish to see, is for Nelson City Council to incentivise more people to migrate here, people

who have the vision to start and grow a business locally, by being innovative, entrepreneurial, artistic and pragmatic. Nelson is tailor made for boutique businesses which focus towards tourism and hospitality, ethical businesses that offer the opportunity to provide, not only a sustainable income, but a quality of life that is both rewarding and beneficial to the wider community and environment.

In my business, I do just that. I make cookies and coffee at Founders Heritage Park. I am visionary, pragmatic, artistic, entrepreneurial, and innovative, with a growing ethical business that focuses on tourism and hospitality, while also providing a rewarding quality of life.

I am the change I wish to see in Council...



### **Matt LAWREY**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

After my first term on Council I'm happy to report the four issues I campaigned on in 2013 have been significantly advanced. They were: looking after the environment, increasing opportunities

for inner city living, protecting our cultural events and progressing Stoke.

After a successful career in journalism I bring to Council an inquiring mind that I'm told has served the city well. I've helped residents with everything from problem neighbours and a collapsed track to noisy chickens and a melting road.

I also drafted a policy adopted by LGNZ to investigate moving Government services from Wellington to the regions, successfully campaigned against the Victory Liquor Centre and organised murals for the children's library.

A happily married father of two, I write Nelson's internationally successful cartoon The Little Things and a newspaper column.

I'm also a Victory Primary School Breakfast Club volunteer and organised Nelson's 2014 emergency services parade.



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### Paul MATHESON

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I am seeking your support for re-election to the Nelson City Council. I am proud to have been at the forefront of many positive changes over the last three years as your Deputy Mayor. Nelson is growing and changing and it is important that we adapt our services to be there for those who need it most.

We must continue to move forward to meet growth in transport, environmental, and social needs, and focus on the long term planning of our city.

I am passionate about our community and supporting everyone who is a part of it. Over the last three years I am proud to have been able to introduce new initiatives such as community centres and gardens in Stoke and Tahunanui providing support to both young families and our growing older community.

I will continue to give you the leadership and commitment Nelson deserves.

Paul Matheson QSO JP.



### Cynthia MCCONVILLE

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Passionate about community, business friendly and an advocate for the environment, I am a keen walker, swimmer and cyclist.

**COMMUNITY:** Boy racers at Branford Park, protecting trees on the Maitai River Walkway, logging trucks on our residential streets twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, speaking up for seniors and the less able, influencing Council to resolve problems with freedom campers. Convenor of Nelson Walkers Unite, founder of Nelson Safe Streets Association and Co Convenor of Educate Don't Fluoridate.

**BUSINESS:** A former tourism and hospitality business owner and manager of NZ's largest private sector payroll, Secretary of Progress Nelson Tasman, supporter of the Southern Link. I would like to see more public private partnership involvement in capital projects.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Supporter of the Nelson Nature programme, volunteer for Friends of Maitai, former Forest and Bird Marine Reserves Officer helping establish the Horoirangi Marine Reserve, an advocate for the environment.

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### **Brian MCGURK**

My principal place of residence is not in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Brian's vision for Nelson is a safe, vibrant and sustainable city.

Brian's priorities include smart planning, creating inclusive connected communities, protecting the environment and wisely investing in infrastructure, community facilities and services.

In his first term Brian has been an active and committed councillor participating in numerous committees and working groups. He chairs the Planning & Regulatory Committee and Nelson Biodiversity Forum. He is a member of the Governance Committee, Audit, Risk & Finance Sub-committee and Regional Transport Committee.

Prior to serving on Council Brian was the Nelson Bays Police Area Commander before leading an international team of officers in Afghanistan. In 2013 he retired from the Police after 35 years' service. Brian is a qualified lawyer and accredited hearings commissioner.

A strong commitment to serving the public, broad experience, consistent and responsible leadership, the ability to listen and to work in partnership are some of Brian's strengths.



### **Derek NEES**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Having grown up and spent my early working life in Takaka, I completed 29 years of service in NZ Army transport and logistics, and more recently have spent a further twenty six years in the

commercial road transport industry here in Nelson.

I am actively involved in many community organisations including Cadet Forces, RSA, Freemasonry, Road Transport Association and Trusts and governance boards and executives associated with those organisations.

I stand on these principles: Control and reduction of debt; containing rate rises to the annual CPI; Concentration on core activities; Checking services for potential private enterprises savings; Measuring NCC service delivery costs with other councils to get value for money; Focusing on Core issues and a Living Wage for all employees while carrying out any work for or on behalf of Nelson City Council.

I look forward to working with other Councillors to make Nelson a better place for Nelsonians.

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### **Gaile NOONAN**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Nelson born and raised as were my two adult children. I have worked hard during my first term to continue to make Nelson a fantastic place to live and work. My background in legal, insurance and real estate have been put to good use in my positions as Deputy Chair of the Community Services Committee and as a member of Governance, Works and Infrastructure plus our Commercial sub-committee.

One of the rewarding aspects for me as a councillor is to consider your concerns and views then bring those to the Council table.

I enjoy working as part of the Council team and in partnership with the community.

In the community I continue in the role as Deputy Chair of Big Brothers Big Sisters, a regular Foodbank volunteer and an active Rotarian.

I would love to represent you again and would very much appreciate your vote.



### **Graeme O'BRIEN**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area. I am also standing for Mayor of Nelson City Council.

Do you worry about the ability to pay ever increasing rates? Are you concerned about Nelson's debt of \$133 million by 2017? Does lack of proper consultation have you wondering what is going on? Why no-one seems accountable for cost overruns and budget blowouts? Had enough of over bearing council rules?

Do you want someone on council who knows how you feel? Has shown they are not afraid to speak out against the lack of democratic process? Someone who cares for the how the community is being treated and who has lobbied for greater transparency?

Graeme O'Brien started a Resolution concerning the TPPA that has been adopted by 12 councils, lobbied for 3 years to put a video camera in council, pushed for changes to the woodburner ban and initiated the conversation around freedom of choice concerning fluoridation of Nelson water.

Vote Graeme O'Brien, Putting Community First.

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### **Mike RUTLEDGE**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I'm Mike Rutledge and I request your support to represent you as a Nelson City Councillor.

My wife Meg and I returned to Stoke in 2013, setting up a charitable trust to prevent

Natureland from closing. We're proud of the successful turnaround of Natureland as a place of positive welfare that actively contributes to biodiversity restoration. It's great to hear Nelsonian's say they are now proud of it too.

I'm the Chairman of the Tahunanui Business Association and previous committee member of Tahunanui Community Centre. Raised in Nelson, I gained a master's degree in Christchurch while playing representative rugby. In the corporate world my work in marketing achieved international awards. I enjoy cycling and spending time in our National Parks.

I want to apply my skills to serve Nelson as a Councillor. I ask for your vote, in return promise to dedicate myself to ensuring a bright future for Nelson.



### **Derek SHAW**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

I have been a part of local government in Nelson for 30 years. Despite missing out by 40 votes at the last election, I'm still very keen to use my extensive experience, knowledge and energy to

ensure Nelson remains a great place for us all to live and work in.

My governance experience covers most areas of Council's activities, including chairing various committees. I'm on the District Licensing Committee and Tasman Bays Heritage Trust, and a qualified chair for resource management hearings.

Married with three adult children, I own a small publishing business, Nikau Press. I'm a founding trustee of the Brook Waimarama Sanctuary Trust and Nelson Environment Centre and on the board of several athletics organisations and the Saxton Velodrome Trust.

If returned to Council I will bring a positive, informed and collaborative approach to tackling, in a practical and sensible way, the many issues our growing city faces.

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### **Tim SKINNER**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Tim Skinner is a born & bred Nelsonian with a passion for social justice issues and building a healthy vibrant safe community.

As City Councillor he has worked tirelessly ensuring residents needs are heard and communities consulted. He has kept his word in striving to keep rate rises down, and been a strong voice for families around the Council table. With his business skills Tim has consistently championed our council to be prudently minded and supportive of local business & industry.

Tim has a strong desire to continue his work as city councillor, ensuring our city is economically strong and an affordable place to live and raise a family for future generations.

He is married with four young children, and successfully built up a professional photography business over 18 years, embraces Nelson's lifestyle, and is a keen footballer.

More info on Tim Skinner City Councillor can be found on [www.timskinner.nz](http://www.timskinner.nz)



### **Stuart Keith WALKER**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson City Council - At Large area.

Over the last 30 years, as an Electrician I have specialised in Solar Water Heating and Remote Area Power Systems.

Sue and I live on a lifestyle block above Enner Glynn, Stoke.

I have been Chairman of the SPCA for the last 16 years.

My father Keith Walker, was a three term City Councillor.

For the last few years I have attended most Council Meetings.

I have made Submissions, spoken at Council Forums, and been involved in Resource Consent Hearings.

Most importantly, I will bring to the Council over 45 years experience of successful customer service and self employment.

With a practical background, I am fully committed to, and relish the challenge of being a full time Councillor.

My aims are to reduce Council debt, hasten the upgrade of the aging City Infrastructure, and seek more openness and meaningful consultation.

To help do this I need your vote.

Thank you.

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#### **Jenny BLACK**

NELSON

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I am currently the Chairman of the Nelson Marlborough DHB, a position I am passionate about, that gives me the opportunity to serve the community and to work alongside caring and

talented people.

I came to Nelson 34 years ago as a dietitian and worked in Nelson hospital and public health.

I believe everyone must have access to health services no matter their age, where they live or their ethnicity. I will continue to support people focused care in our hospitals, quality services in the community, and keeping people well.

Prioritising the best use of resources, is challenging. Health is big business and guiding the Board to make difficult decisions, is a role I enjoy.

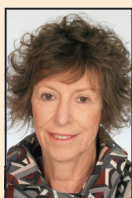
If re-elected, I am committed to ensuring Nelson Marlborough Health is a great place to work, focused on people and a sustainable business providing the best healthcare for the people of this region.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

I am currently the Chairman of the South Island Health Alliance and the National DHB Executive.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB. I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



#### **Jenny BLACK**

MARLBOROUGH

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I am currently an elected NMDHB Board Member and prior to this I was a community representative on NMDHB's joint Community & Public Health and Disability Support Advisory

Committee.

My nursing career includes experience in the delivery and management of health services. This involved leadership roles with the Plunket Society, NZ Red Cross, Health Funding Authority, Capital & Coast DHB and Hospice Marlborough, all of which required advocacy and governance skills.

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I was the first manager tasked with establishing Marlborough's hospice and palliative care service. This gave me a unique opportunity to work closely with the community and other organisations to develop a specialist service. I believe that community and hospital services are at their best when they work together to provide people with the care they need, when they need it and as close to home as possible.

*Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB. I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future other than my ongoing interest in Advance Care Planning.



#### **Martine BOUILLIR**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I have been a Tasman District Councillor for 6 years serving as Deputy Chair of Community Services and Chair of Creative Communities and Community Grants.

I'm involved in several collaborative processes between council and community, such as the Freshwater and Land Advisory Group for the Takaka catchment. I'm not re-standing.

I intend to remain vigilant around central and local government policies affecting health and well-being ie, housing/social, food, water and environment.

Healthcare covers a far broader base than traditional medical/pharmaceutical models and modern health services need to be more holistic and include treatment options to complement existing models.

I will advocate for health services in rural areas and champion freedom of choice in all health matters.

As councillor, I have a proven track record in thorough and open communication, keeping my constituency informed via regular newsletters to over 800 people. I stand for transparency and listening to the community voice.

*Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I

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do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Robyn BYERS**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

My life passion is health across Nelson and Marlborough. As a clinician, mother and carer for my elderly mum, I want the very best of health services for our Community.

I'm a Clinical Psychologist and for forty years have been leading the District's Mental Health, Addictions and Older Persons Health Services. Born in Nelson I raised my family here and am committed to our Community. The time is right for me to shift my focus from providing Health Services to contributing to effective governance.

We need to value our health professionals while the focus must always be on the quality and accessibility of care. Health Services are all about the people. My priority will be ensuring our Hospital Services are connected to Primary Services in our Community. The work of our Health Board needs to be about promoting wellness as well as supporting and treating those in need of care.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson/Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Judy CROWE**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I have been an elected member of the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board for 12 years and Chair of the Community Public Health and Disability Support Advisory Committee in my

present term.

A resident of Nelson City for 40 years, I am a mother of seven adult children and grandmother of two.

Prior to being on the NMDHB I was an educator in nutrition, healthy lifestyles and fertility and have served on health related committees as an advocate on community health.



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I am passionate about people having control over their health and well being and ensuring that the consumer voice is heard and heeded.

I am opposed to the fluoridation of community water supplies in the Nelson, Tasman, Golden Bay and Marlborough regions. I am fully committed to dedicated community led education programmes embracing sound oral hygiene practices, nutrition and physical activity to combat poor dental health, malnourishment and obesity.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Bill DAHLBERG**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area. I am also standing for Nelson City Council.

My interest in serving NMDHB stems from chairing the Warmer Healthier Homes project which has retrofitted more than 500 homes in Marlborough, Nelson and Tasman over two years, working together gets better results. I strongly believe in the best possible, affordable, health services and a positive investment in preventative care, focusing on the young and elderly because they are most vulnerable.

I am qualified as a financial advisor and founded a company that works with clients across the Top of the South. I have also spent seven years as director of the Rata Foundation (ex Canterbury Community Trust) which has given me a solid understanding of community issues throughout the region.

My wife Sue and I have three adult children and five grandchildren. I have the knowledge and governance skills to help NMDHB achieve better outcomes for our communities. I ask for your vote and thank you for your support.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

I am currently a Trustee Director on the Rata Foundation (ex Canterbury Community Trust) which provides support and funding for community groups in the Nelson Marlborough

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region.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



#### **Brigid FORREST**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I was elected to the NMDHB for the first time in 2013. In these 3 years I have learnt a lot about the complexities of managing health care provision within tight budgets and also the tension between government targets and community expectation. My experience in growing a global family wine business, combined with 30 years as a medical doctor working in hospitals, hospice and General Practice allows me to offer good overview to the Board. I remain committed to keeping health (not illness) and real people (not numbers) at the centre of our planning. Our world is changing rapidly, with constant challenges and we must be able to adapt and change, explore and embrace innovative new ways to make our health dollars work better. After 3 years I still have a lot to learn but I relish the challenge.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

I am contracted by the Salvation Army to supply part time medical services to Hospice Marlborough.

I have been working with the South Island Alliance Palliative Care Workstream to understand and develop better integrated palliative care services in the South Island.

I do GP locum work in the Marlborough area but I am not a member of the PHO.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.

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#### **Kate FULTON**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area. I am also standing for Nelson City Council.

I am standing for NMDHB because I believe my passionate interest in health and wellbeing can greatly benefit our region.

I grew up in Nelson and went on to complete a PhD in biomedical research at Cambridge University. My science and health background is uniquely beneficial at a governance level. I have the ability to maintain an evidence-based open-mindedness, whilst empathising with wellbeing and equity concerns.

As a second term councillor, I have the proven track record of engaging with community groups to understand their views and delivering outcomes which truly do make a difference. Successes include expanding shared pathway networks, supporting warmer healthier homes initiatives and advocating for the introduction of a sugar sweetened beverages policy. These achievements highlight the importance to our community of making healthier choices in everyday life. If elected, I will strive to ensure the NMDHB achieves excellence in all aspects of healthcare.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

I am currently a member of the Nelson District Licensing Committee.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



#### **Pat HEAPHY**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

Pat has had one term on the Board and is pleased with the progress Nelson Marlborough Health has made during this time. He has enjoyed being with a board and senior executives that have worked

well together.

Previously he had 20 years' experience in insurance and investment management roles, and five years' experience

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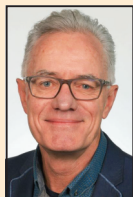
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managing a New Zealand based international bond market company. He and his wife Chris owned Heaphy Home Support assisting needy elderly and those with disabilities .Heaphys had a staff of more than 300 wonderful nurses and carers.

Many years ago, Pat was a representative rugby player and yachting Olympic trialist. He is now a farmer, gardener and member of various committees.

*Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Gerald HOPE**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area. I am also standing for Wairau-Awatere Ward of the Marlborough District Council.

In the past three years we have created a financially stable health organisation; we are currently planning for expanded, improved services. Nelson Marlborough Health is one of the top five performers in NZ. Our region covers a massive geographic area and must have an equitable spread of services that matches your expectations for public health delivery. 21% of our population is over 65. You have high expectations for health services and that requires extra funding.

My pledge; Wairau Hospital continues to provide full services, a new Nelson Hospital is built, further development of health hubs in Richmond, Golden Bay, Blenheim, provide equitable accessible health services across the region.

I am experienced in the health sector and many community organisations. Chaired Hospital Advisory Committee, Community and Public Health, former Chair of Hospice Marlborough, member of Cawthron Institute Trust, past Mayor of Marlborough and currently Chief Executive Marlborough Research Centre.

*Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to

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arise in future.



#### **Stephen LEE**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I am a grateful consumer of the public health system. Having experienced a brush with cancer and raising a child with special needs I have a strong commitment to a public health system that benefits everyone.

As a 63yr old father of five and grandfather of eight I would bring a wealth of experience to the Board. Currently a taxi driver in Nelson, I was a commercial beekeeper - owner/operator for 20 years. Since then I have successfully completed a year's study in Whakairo (2004), gained a diploma of Massage Therapy (2008) and travelled widely (30 countries). While not currently a member of any political party I'm a past General Secretary of the Greens.

I advocate for science-based medicine. I think effectiveness should not be sacrificed to efficiency, and believe health and wellbeing is best facilitated by health professionals whose own wellbeing is accounted for and who are experiencing job satisfaction.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Allan PANTING**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I have recently retired from clinical practice, having worked for almost 35 years as a surgeon and in numerous leadership roles in Nelson-Marlborough regional health bodies. Having

completed terms as Secretary and President of the New Zealand Orthopaedic Association and more recently Executive Director for Surgical Affairs NZ for the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, I have considerable knowledge of New Zealand and international health systems.

Recognising that funding will never be sufficient to meet the

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demands placed upon public health services, we must ensure resources are used most effectively by supporting high quality medical care based upon sound evidence. This can be helped significantly by promoting increased health education for members of our community, patients and staff.

With my experience I believe I can continue to assist the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board in the planning of health care for our region.

Allan Panting  
MNZM, FRACS(Orth), FRCSEd

*Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

I am a shareholder in Tasman Medical Syndicate which owns and leases The Collingwood Centre in Nelson.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



#### **Paul ROSANOWSKI**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I bring wide-ranging professional skills which would further add to the NMDHB Board. I'm a partner in a Nelson accountancy firm, and have served at high level in many Nelson-Tasman

businesses.

I advise clients on innovation/business advisory across numerous sectors. I have a strong belief in sustainability as a guiding principle. Along with these attributes, living and working in the Top of the South has given me a broad understanding of issues which affect people in our region.

As a result I believe I can bring added value to a role within NMDHB.

As a local businessman I have been active in the community in many areas including Founders Heritage Park, Nelson School of Music, Chamber of Commerce and taking a leading role in promoting youth participation in Nelson sport. I have a strong commitment to the Nelson, Tasman and Marlborough area, and welcome the opportunity to represent this community.

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*Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Nelson/Marlborough District Health Board (DHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future.



#### **Charles TYRRELL**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

A former registered nurse from the UK and now working for the Anglican Church caring for older people, I offer my experience and abilities for the good of the citizens of our region. I'm committed

to our public health system and believe that even though there is always room for improvement, we are fortunate to have such dedicated facilities in our communities. I would like to give something back to the health service which saved my life in 2005 and serving people on the NMDHB would enable me to do this.

I serve the community as Chair of the Board of Age Concern Nelson Tasman and as Chair of the Nelson Tasman Positive Ageing Forum. I received the QSO in 2006 for my services to the community. I am an active Rotarian.

I will work hard to represent all people were I to be elected.

*Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson/Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

My wife is currently employed by Nelson/Marlborough DHB as a staff nurse at Nelson hospital.

As Chair of the Board of Age Concern Nelson Tasman Inc which is presently contracted to work on several projects for NMDHB for which payments are received.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.

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#### **Stephen VALLANCE**

My principal place of residence is in the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board area.

I am a retired General and Vascular Surgeon who was employed by NMDHB at Wairau Hospital for 24 years. I have served on a number of professional and non-professional committees

including as President of the New Zealand Association of General Surgeons.

I appreciate that the Health Board governs much more than hospital services and that provision of health care across the region is challenging. Despite recent moves by management to be more inclusive most hospital staff - medical, nursing and ancillary - in both Blenheim and Nelson continue to feel alienated from work related decision making and that their information and advice is ignored. The Health Service is felt to be administrated rather than managed. Fiscal competence is essential but it is important that those who provide the service feel valued within both secondary and primary sectors. If elected I would promote this.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the Nelson Marlborough District Health Board (DHB).

Chairman Marlborough Centre of the Cancer Society Inc.

Chairman of Crossroads Marlborough Trust.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the DHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the board of the DHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, other than the continuation of the conflicts of interest stated above.



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