

Thursday, 14 October 2021

Te Hui o Te Kaunihera ā-Rohe o Heretaunga

Hastings District Council

Council Meeting

Kaupapataka

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Te Rā Hui:
Meeting date: **Thursday, 14 October 2021**

Te Wā:
Time: **9.00am**

Te Wāhi:
Venue: **Council Chamber
Ground Floor
Civic Administration Building
Lyndon Road East
Hastings**

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**Resolution of Hastings District Council Meeting held 26 August 2021 –
Representation Review Initial Proposal**

Mayor Hazlehurst/Councillor Nixon

- A) That the Council Meeting held on 26 August 2021 receive the report titled Representation Review 2021/22 dated 19 August 2021.
- B) That the Council, in accordance with Sections 19H and 19J of the Local Electoral Act 2001, determines that for the triennial general election of the Hastings District Council to be held on Saturday 8 October 2022, the following representation arrangements will apply:
- i. Hastings District, as delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 3) to the report described in A) above, be divided into six wards, being five general wards and one Māori ward.
 - ii. Those six wards shall be:
 - General Wards**
 - a. Flaxmere, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 4) to the report described in A) above
 - b. Hastings-Havelock North, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 5) to the report described in A) above
 - c. Heretaunga, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 6) to the report described in A) above
 - d. Kahurānaki, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 7) to the report described in A) above
 - e. Mohaka, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 8) to the report described in A) above
 - Māori Wards**
 - f. Takitimu, comprising the area of the whole of the Hastings District as delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 9) to the report described in A) above.
 - iii. The Council will comprise the Mayor, and 15 Councillors elected as follows:
 - a. 1 Councillor elected by the electors of the Flaxmere Ward
 - b. 7 Councillors elected by the electors of the Hastings-Havelock North Ward
 - c. 2 Councillors elected by the electors of the Heretaunga Ward
 - d. 1 Councillor elected by the electors of the Kahurānaki Ward
 - e. 1 Councillor elected by the electors of the Mohaka Ward
 - f. 3 Councillors elected by the electors of the Takitimu Ward.
 - iv. There will be a Hastings District Rural Community as delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 10) to the report described in A) above, comprising the area of the Kahurānaki and Mohaka Wards.
 - v. The community will be subdivided into four for electoral purposes.
 - vi. Those four subdivisions will be:
 - a. Tūtira subdivision, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 11) to the report described in A) above

- b. Kaweka subdivision, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 12) to the report described in A) above
 - c. Maraekākaho subdivision, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 13) to the report described in A) above
 - d. Poukawa subdivision, comprising the area delineated on the plan attached (Appendix 14) to the report described in A) above.
 - vii. The membership of Hastings District Rural Community Board will be as follows:
 - a. 1 member elected by the electors of the Tūtira subdivision
 - b. 1 member elected by the electors of the Kaweka subdivision
 - c. 1 member elected by the electors of the Maraekākaho subdivision
 - d. 1 member elected by the electors of the Poukawa subdivision
 - e. 3 members of the Council, 1 representing each of the Kahurānaki, Mohaka and Takitimu wards, appointed to the community board by the Council.
- C) That, as required by sections 19T(1)(b) and 19W(c) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, the boundaries of the above wards and communities coincide with the current statistical meshblock areas determined by Statistics New Zealand and used for Parliamentary electoral purposes.
- D) That, as required by sections 19T(1)(a) and 19W(b) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, the six wards and one community being created and the number of members of each ward and community and subdivision will provide effective representation of communities of interest within Hastings District because:
 - i. The five General wards are considered to effectively and fairly represent the current distinct communities of interest that the Council has identified within the Hastings District, namely –
 - a. Flaxmere
 - b. Hastings-Havelock North
 - c. Heretaunga
 - d. Kahurānaki
 - e. Mohaka
 - ii. The Takitimu Māori ward will improve the effective representation of Māori interests within Hastings District, and in particular, those on the Māori electoral roll.
 - iii. The Hastings District Rural Community Board and its four subdivisions set out in B)iv. above provide fair and effective representation of the communities of interest of the large and sparsely populated rural areas of Hastings District.
 - iv. The 15 Councillors will provide for effective representation, good governance of the district and a Council that works effectively.
- E) That in accordance with section 19K of the Local Electoral Act 2001, the Council hereby records that the following changes have been made to the basis of election, membership and ward, community and subdivision boundaries within the Hastings District for the reasons set out:
 - i. The total number of Councillors to be elected is increased by one – the Council considers an additional Councillor will allow a Māori ward to be introduced while still maintaining

effective representation across the District. It will also provide sufficient Council members to share the governance workload and provide for good governance.

- ii. Introduction of the Takitimu Māori Ward – Council has determined to introduce a Māori Ward to improve effective representation for Māori within the District. Based on the total number of Councillors to be elected via wards, a single ward with three Māori Ward Members is introduced on the basis that this will provide for fair and effective representation across the District of those electors who opt to be on the Māori electoral roll when exercising the Māori Electoral Option.
- iii. The following boundary adjustments to Council general electoral ward boundaries, namely –
 - a. Meshblock **4015648** (Gracelands) – from Heretaunga Ward to Hastings-Havelock North Ward
 - b. Meshblock **4005098** (Summerset Retirement complex) – from Heretaunga Ward to Hastings-Havelock North Ward
 - c. Meshblock **4013349** (Sir James Wattie Retirement Village) – from Heretaunga Ward to Hastings-Havelock North Ward
 - d. Meshblock **1469704** (Ōmāhu Road) – from Flaxmere Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - e. Meshblock **1469708** (Ōmāhu Road) – from Flaxmere Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - f. Meshblock **1473300** (Ōmāhu Road) – from Flaxmere Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - g. Meshblock **1473400** (Ōmāhu Road) – from Flaxmere Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - h. Meshblock **1473500** (Ōmāhu Road) – from Flaxmere Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - i. Meshblock **1473600** (Ōmāhu Road) – from Flaxmere Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - j. Meshblock **1462901** (Ngātarawa Road/State Highway 50/Maraekākaho Road Triangle) – from Kahurānaki Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - k. Meshblock **1462902** (Ngātarawa Road/State Highway 50/Maraekākaho Road Triangle) – from Kahurānaki Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - l. Meshblock **1470209** (Ngātarawa Road/State Highway 50/Maraekākaho Road Triangle) – from Kahurānaki Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - m. Meshblock **1470211** (Ngātarawa Road/State Highway 50/Maraekākaho Road Triangle) – from Kahurānaki Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - n. Meshblock **1408402** (Ōmāhu Village) – from Mohaka Ward to Heretaunga Ward
 - o. Meshblock **1409100** (Ōmāhu Village) – from Mohaka Ward to Heretaunga Ward,are made as Council considers they will improve the effective representation of communities of interest (by shifting areas of the district into wards where they share greater commonalities with adjoining areas) and assist in achieving fair representation.
- iv. The following boundary adjustments to Rural Community Board Subdivision boundaries, namely –
 - a. Meshblock **1463602** (Paki Paki) – from Poukawa Subdivision to Maraekākaho Subdivision
 - b. Meshblock **1463700** (Paki Paki) – from Poukawa Subdivision to Maraekākaho Subdivision,

are made as Council considers they will assist in achieving fair representation and continue to provide effective representation of communities of interest.

- v. Representation for the Hastings – Havelock North General ward is reduced from eight members to seven members – given the introduction of a Māori Ward and the resulting reallocation in voters from the general electoral roll to the Māori electoral roll, this reduction is made to achieve fair representation across wards.
 - vi. Representation for the Flaxmere General ward is reduced from two members to one member – given the introduction of a Māori Ward and the resulting reallocation in voters from the general electoral roll to the Māori electoral roll (which particularly impacts the number of electors in Flaxmere Ward), this reduction is made to achieve fair representation across wards.
- F) That as required by section 19M of the Local Electoral Act 2001, public notice of the proposals contained in this resolution be given within 14 days of this resolution.

CARRIED























