

Central Hawke's Bay District Council

Initial proposal for representation arrangements for the 2025 local elections

On 27 June 2024 the Central Hawke's Bay District Council reviewed its representation arrangements, and resolved that the following proposal apply for the Council and its community boards for the elections to be held on 11 October 2025:

Council Representation

It is proposed that the Council comprises the Mayor, elected at large, and 9 Councillors, with 7 Councillors elected from three wards and 2 Councillors elected at large (from the district as a whole).

The three wards reflect the following identified communities of interest.

Ward	Communities of interest
Aramoana-Ruahine General Ward	The Aramoana-Ruahine Ward comprises the rural and coastal areas of the district.
Ruataniwha General Ward	The Ruataniwha Ward comprises the mostly urban areas of Waipukurau and Waipawa.
Rautahi Māori Ward	The Rautahi Ward will cover the entire district.

The population that each member will represent is as follows:

Option 4	Population	Members	Pop per member
Aramoana-Ruahine General Ward	7,050	3	2,350
Ruataniwha General Ward	6,460	3	2,153
Total General	13,510	6	2,252
Rautahi Māori Ward	2,510	1	2,510
At-large	16,020	2	
Total	16,020	9	

In accordance with section 19V(2), Local Electoral Act 2001 the population that each general ward member represents must be within the range of 2,252 +/- 10% (2,027 – 2,477), unless particular community of interest considerations justify otherwise.

Community Board Representation

It is proposed that no community boards are established.

Further Information

Copies of the Council's resolution and maps setting out the areas of the proposed wards may be viewed <https://letstalkchb.co.nz/> and obtained from:

- Central Hawke's Bay District Council Office
28-32 Ruataniwha Street
Waipawa.

Any queries regarding the Council's decision should be directed to Governance, Tel 06 857 8060 or representation@chbdc.govt.nz.

Relevant information is also available on the Council's website: <https://letstalkchb.co.nz/>.

Submissions are invited

Persons with an interest in the proposed representation arrangements are invited to make written submissions on the Council's representation proposal.

Submissions are to be forwarded to:

- Attention – Governance Lead (Tel 06 857 8060)
- Physical address – Council Offices,
28-32 Ruataniwha Street, Waipawa
- Email – representation@chbdc.govt.nz.

Submissions must be received by Council no later than Sunday, 25 August 2024.

Doug Tate
Chief Executive
11 July 2024