

# West Coast District Health Board

## Electing 7 Board Members

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### **Michael DYNE**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I offer knowledge, experience, skills and other attributes to contribute to the West Coasts DHB's future development and governance gained from a lifelong career in Health Care.

I am a retired Registered Psychiatric Nurse having had a career spanning over 50 years encompassing:- Mental Health, Aged Care, Acute Inpatient Mental Health Services, Smoking Cessation Counselling Services and Community Mental Health. I believe that Healthcare and Treatment must be equally accessible to all people of New Zealand and not be preferential depending on geographical location. I also believe that people must take personal responsibility for their own health. This responsibility must also extend to health treatment providers in ensuring equally accessible, appropriate and effective treatment and care. I retired from Health Care 3 years ago and now work in the Carnegie Building, Hokitika Museum. I am married, Have 3 adult children and 7 grandchildren and live in Kaniere.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

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### **Anita Mary HALSALL-QUINLAN**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I am a born and raised fourth generation West Coaster living in Westport.

I own and manage a small business in Westport along with a business of which I am

owner/director with my husband.

I am a spokesperson for the Buller Health Action Group and have a genuine passion for the people of the West Coast and our well being. I would like to work towards the retention and restoration of health services within our communities across the West Coast.

I stand, recognising the changing nature of primary and secondary health care and the increasing complexities of our communities' health and social needs.

I seek election with a view to work towards achieving sustainable, affordable and quality healthcare across our region. I stand for better health West Coast.

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### **Chris AUCHINVOLE**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

Serving on the DHB for the last three years has provided me with a working understanding of the health services. It is a large business, dynamic, with a responsibility to meet a wide

range of requirements from the community, from families, and from individuals. I have three particular aspects which I consider of top importance:- Aged Care, Mental Health Services, and ensuring there is Equity for individual circumstances.

Having moved into Greymouth from Moana, I have an appreciation of both urban and rural health requirements, and the service design to meet them. The new hospital buildings, once the Ministry of Health hands them over to the DHB, will make a significant development in service delivery. This will be matched with a new regional service structure. I am keen to devote time and energy on behalf of all health service users for the next elected period.

Thank you for your support.

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### **Peter NEAME**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I am a retired Psychiatric and General Nurse and have been a campaigner against the run down in health service on the Coast for decades. From the Haast to Karamea we deserve the same access to health services as any other member of the public. I will continue to speak out, on your behalf, as I always have. An enduring interest has been for more training for health professionals on the Coast. I taught nurses here for 7 years.

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I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in future, except I have been a member of Caring Communities New Zealand and attended a delegation of parents from throughout NZ in 1993, to Parliament, in a campaign to prevent further run down of the mental health system. I am research officer for White Wreath Action against Suicide, Australia, and a Board member of that group. Both groups are not for profit and my work is voluntary. I am also author of 5 books on the health system.

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### **Sarah BIRCHFIELD**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I want to bring a fresh perspective to the WCDHB. I live and work in Greymouth as an office manager, I am married with two children.

I am currently involved with the WCDHB, as vice chair of the Consumer Council, consumer representative on WCDHB Child and Youth, WCDHB Advisory and CDHB/WCDHB Disability Action Plan committees. This has given me a good understanding of the WCDHB and governance.

I am aware of the challenges WCDHB currently faces with recruiting professionals and how this is having an effect on our community and services, such as early intervention, mental health, GP shortages and rest home bed shortages with aging population.

With the new hospital and Buller rebuild there will be many challenges and changes to be made. I'm passionate about health services; I am a strong advocate for promoting better health outcomes and inclusion in the decision-making process. Vote Sarah Birchfield Number 1.

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### **Garry HOWARD**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I am currently a Trustee and member of the Management Committee, O'Connor Memorial Home, aged care facility Westport and a Trustee of Buller Health Trust (Westport Dental Practice).

Council representative on Design Group for Buller Integrated Family Health Care facility.

I believe our rural communities must have good access to health services no matter their age, where they live or their ethnicity. I have advocated for health care services and assisted residents that have experienced health service challenges. I have a strong interest in age care services and want to ensure we have appropriate care and facilities that allow our residents to stay on the West Coast. I have worked with the WCDHB on community issues, studied minutes of Board meetings and believe I can contribute to the governance of WCDHB for the benefit of our residents.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the West Coast District Health Board (WCDHB):- As Mayor, Buller District Council, I am currently Trustee of Buller Health Trust and O'Connor Memorial Home, these positions cease as of 12th October due to not standing for Council. Currently Council representative on Buller IFHC, Design Group. The continuation of this position will be at the discretion of the newly elected Council.

I will remain as member of O'Connor Memorial Home, management committee and any conflicts of interest can be managed.

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

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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### **Helen GILLESPIE**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I feel privileged to have represented West Coasters on the District Health Board in recent years. My experience and contribution as a Board member, including Chair of the Quality Finance and Audit Risk Committee, is a positive and valued one. I wish to continue to provide a voice for West Coasters in the work the Board is undertaking to secure a sustainable, safe, accessible and respected health system for all of us, wherever we live, on the West Coast.

My extensive knowledge of the opportunities and challenges which face our health system on the West Coast means that I can continue with momentum in our work, to obtain the health services and facilities that we will all benefit from.

A vote for me is a vote for innovation and security of quality health services for all West Coasters.

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### **John VAILE**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

Being a health advocate for many years, I have been able to help people with health issues to access services. I am manager of Vaile Hardware Westport.

There have been big changes to the way health services are provided, having served on the board previously I understand the need for change, but at the same time we must continue to provide the same level of services on the West Coast.

I note more recently access to specialists, doctors and mental health is decreasing; this has to change.

Better recruitment and retention of good medical staff is essential so people have far better health outcomes sooner.

I am committed to work to promote a healthy family in a safe environment vote with confidence that I will work for the health benefit of all citizens on the West Coast.

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### **Nigel OGILVIE**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

I live in Hokitika (25 years) passionate about the West Coast, a Registered Nurse and the Practice Director at Westland Medical Centre, I provide comprehensive primary care services and after-hours life support care. I also have strengths in palliative care, adolescent health, and health education.

I have extensive experience in governance. I am a board member of West Coast Primary Health Organization and currently an elected member to the West Coast District Health Board. I have held other board and chairperson positions. I am approachable with our coast community, working to ensure transparency in the way that funding flows from the government to you. We need to strategically look at ways to improve hospital specialist services, I feel strongly that we should be using your funding to provide the best possible secondary and tertiary health outcomes. We need updated facilities coast-wide. I stand for better health for West Coast. [nigelogilvie@westlandmed.co.nz](mailto:nigelogilvie@westlandmed.co.nz).

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the West Coast District Health Board (WCDHB):- Managing Director and shareholder of Westland Medical Centre Ltd which has contracts with the WCDHB.

Shareholder of Tasman view Properties Ltd, Hokitika Seaview Ltd and Thornton Bruce Investments Ltd that indirectly benefit through income from the WCDHB and CDHB.

My wife (Dr A. Dyzel) and myself are trustees of West Coast Primary Health Organisation

Dr Dyzel is casually employed by the WCDHB and she is the medical director of Westland Medical Centre.

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

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### **Kevin Raymond BROWN**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

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I am a 5th generation West Coaster, residing in Greymouth. I have a real concern for the Coast and the people who live here.

It is disappointing the new hospital build has taken such an extended time, however, it will not be long until this facility is in use, providing up to date treatment and care of the people. Planning of the Buller health facility is progressing, with the community able to view the latest developments in the near future.

One of my concerns is that provision of adequate care is provided on the Coast for the projected increase in the number of dementia patients. Between 2011 and 2016 dementia cases increased by 29% in New Zealand and is forecast to increase rapidly; planning well ahead to accommodate this must be treated with urgency.

I would like to thank my nominators, Hugh Bodle and Michael Kennan.

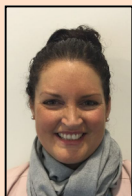
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### **Nichola MEEHAN**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

A new perspective and the West Coasters' best interests at heart, I strongly believe now is my time to use my skills and enthusiasm to give back to the community.

Health services are a critical part of our lives, whether we are using them, employed by them or supplying services to them. With my husband, two young children and an extended family of four generations living locally, I have seen first-hand the delivery of our health services in its many forms and I am eager to play a pivotal role in enhancing these services for everyone's benefit.

Employed in local government means I bring a solid understanding of governance roles, challenges facing not-for-profit organisations, and the ability to cut through the noise to address critical issues and effect positive change.

I look forward to your support and encouragement as a candidate for the West Coast District Health Board.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the West Coast District Health Board (WCDHB):-

Employed as Manager of Strategy and Communications at the West Coast Regional Council. Within this role I have oversight of the Regional Land Transport functions including the administration of the Total Mobility scheme.

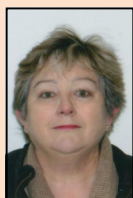
My mother, Sue Costley, is employed by Urology Associates, Forte Health.

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

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### **Paula CUTBUSH**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

My family and I love living and working on the Coast, in Grey and Buller. We are stakeholders who, like all Coasters, want access to the best available health service in a timely and often life

preserving way.

After many years in health and community interest groups, I am currently a member of Consumer Council and the Health Advisory Committee. Both groups work with the Board to chase the dream of creating the best outcomes for Coasters on their health journey.

Helping establish the new Coast hospitals to be the most functional, stand out health hubs we Coasters deserve, can happen with great clinical decisions backed up by clever management, and supported by wise and informed governance. I would be proud to work towards successful health outcomes, and to celebrate with you, yet another great reason to be living on the Coast.

I need your vote to do just that.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

I have the following current conflicts of interest with the West Coast District Health Board (WCDHB):-

My daughter is currently employed by the PHO as a green prescription practitioner.

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### **Susan BARNETT**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

Born and raised in Reefton, I am a fourth generation West Coaster.

I am a Registered Nurse of 38 years and have spent most of my time working in Health in the

Reefton Area.

At present I work for WCDHB as a Public Health Nurse and I also work part time for a local contracting company in Health and Safety.

I have been a member of the Inangahua Community Board for the last 6 years.

I am committed to not only ensuring that we maintain our health services in rural areas but embrace the need for more efficiency and effective health management, and to continuously strive for improvement in health care across our West Coast region.

I seek election with a view to work towards achieving sustainable, affordable and quality healthcare across our region. I stand for better health for the West Coast.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

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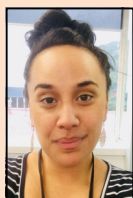
I am currently employed by the WCDHB as a Public Health Nurse one day a week based from Reefton Health, and also a casual call-on Registered Nurse for District Nursing and Reefton Health. To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no other conflicts of interest with the WCDHB at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for membership of the WCDHB.

I do not believe that any conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future other than my intended continued employment by the WCDHB.

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### **Jodie TRENOR**

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

A 4th generation West coaster and mother of three great tamariki; one with cerebral palsy.

My whanau experienced the worst the health system can provide which has made me a fierce

advocate for our disabled community members.

To improve and retain health services on the West Coast, we need strong advocates to ensure our voices are heard and representatives that understand the government system and how to advocate strongly within it.

As West Coast health goes into a new hospital and new era of health services, with passion and a strong voice, I want to help improve outcomes and health statistics of West coasters, seek better outcomes for Mental Health, Māori, and the outreach health services to our community.

He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata! He tangata! He tangata!

What is the most important thing in the world? It's people! people! people!

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### **Keith RUSHOLME**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the West Coast District Health Board area.

Currently own and operate Beach View Motels at Rapahoe.

Prior to this have been employed by Nelson Marlborough health services in a variety of roles

including nursing (qualified as a registered Comprehensive nurse) and senior management.

Key management roles were as a General Manager responsible for many of the health services across Nelson and Wairua hospitals. Later I was employed as the Chief Operating Officer of the provider division within the Nelson Marlborough DHB. These roles have given me a good understanding of the local and national Health Systems.

I offer my experience for the benefit of health services on the West Coast, I believe this would add value to the West Coast District Health Board's decision making and policy development. If elected I will work hard as part of the health teams to ensure the West Coast continues to move forward and grow as a strong healthy community.

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# Westland District Council

## Electing the Mayor

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### **Bruce SMITH**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland District Council area.

It seems a lifetime ago when Durham Havill called me and said you are sitting for the Mayoralty in Oct 2016, and that humbling surprise when you elected me.

Changes started at the first meeting; I took Councillors to Sunset Point and said we will fix this iconic attraction.

The Mueller Hotel in Franz had been washed away with no action to protect the businesses. It needed a wall, a wall was built.

A couple of cyclones and a hundred year flood resulted in two states of emergency.

My priorities moving forward:

Core services, attracting government grants, 100% support for our CCOs, Building relationships with the business sector, backing community service groups.

We live in a dynamic environment, often by water or on an earthquake fault line and when there is a problem, doing nothing is not and never will be an option.

For a common-sense approach, vote Bruce Smith



# Westland District Council

## Electing the Mayor

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### **Gray EATWELL**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland District Council area. I am also standing for the Southern Ward.

I stood to be elected as your councillor in 2016 based on my concern that ratepayers of Westland have been deceived by the Councils we have

elected for a long time.

My time as Councillor has been challenging, but has unveiled a clear vision of the underlying culture that is corrupting due process and exposing us to endless costs and official meddling. A pathway has become obvious to me to bring Council back into line with community expectations. To be effective the strength of all elected members must be engaged to serve Westland's communities, through inclusive governance that ensures fair practices are followed by the operational staff.

I have a clear vision that Council must return to basics, so by engaging my proven background of leading people to be cohesive, under extreme conditions I am confident that a functional honest Council is realistically achievable.

# Westland District Council

## Electing the Mayor

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### **John MITCHELL**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland District Council area.

My name is John Mitchell born and bred in Westland. For 35 years until the end of May I was a self employed cabinetmaker. With my wife I also run a small farm split between Hokitika and

Ross running 300 breeding ewes plus replacements.

I have been involved in the 4th Westland Boys' Brigade Company for most of my life and having enjoyed the benefits of the Company myself have continued to work with boys of successive generations to ensure they have the same advantages. As well as running the Company with a small team , I was involved with other volunteers in building the Boys' Brigade Sport and Recreation Centre and its extension, completed in 2013. I am the current manager of this facility. Early on I made then decision to stay and use my skills in Westland, because Westland is home and the only place to live.

# Westland District Council

## Electing the Mayor

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### **Latham MARTIN**

Fresh Ideas. Future Focus.

My principal place of residence is in the Westland District Council area. I am also standing for the Hokitika Ward.

I'm standing for Mayor to give back to a District that has provided me with so many opportunities.

I will lead a hard-working, team based and inclusive council that listens, responds respectfully and is accountable to ratepayers for every dollar in rates that it spends.

I commit to listening to people of all sectors of our wonderful district and will remain focussed on the issues rather than on personalities.

I have no time for negativity and will work hard to lead a Council that everyone will be proud of. A council that will work hard to make our district thrive, based on the values of honesty, trust, integrity and transparency.

We need to work together to embrace new opportunities that will attract and retain people - young and older - to live, work and play here. It is time to throw open the doors of Council and unlock Westland's potential.

# Westland District Council

## Electing the Mayor

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### **Ryan KENNEDY**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland District Council area. I am also standing for the Southern Ward.

My partner Laura and I, along with our young son Robbie, call Okarito home. We currently manage an accommodation business prior to this I have come from a farming background and have lived in Westland my whole life.

I am confident that should I succeed in this election, I will bring integrity and a genuine enthusiasm towards my role, ensuring that I am both available and approachable to the public throughout my term.

Council debt is too high, spending needs to be addressed. The current council and its leadership lack transparency. If elected, I believe I can lead a team into making decisions based on factual information, in the interests of ratepayers and in accordance with the local governance statement. Effective and honest actions of the Council are imperative for the future of all Westland.

Development West Coast  
Westland Constituency  
Electing 1 Member

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**Christopher John REA**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland Constituency area.

A member of the West Coast business community for the past 12 years, I fully understand the unique challenges presented by employers in our regional environment. Now in partnership at

Hokitika Automotive, my new focus is growing a communications company on the West Coast while still actively volunteering in my community as a volunteer fireman. Training with the Institute of Directors and completing the DWC Leadership and Governance Programme has given me the confidence to make sound decisions and analyse new initiatives around the board table. Recently I have been appointed to Westland Holdings as an Independent Director overseeing the council's CCOs.

I see identifying opportunities, embracing innovation and investigating partnerships as the key to continued progress in our region. I look forward to contributing my experience to the Development West Coast environment.

## Development West Coast Westland Constituency Electing 1 Member

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### **Reilly BURDEN**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland Constituency area.

I bring to the table, experience and knowledge gained from my involvement with three local community organisations, Hokitika Lions (Past President and currently Membership Chair), Life Education Trust, West Coast (Deputy Chair and Transportation Manager) and West Coast Community Centre (Hokitika's Regent Theatre - Deputy Chair), through these roles, I have gained an understanding and appreciation of how Charitable Trusts can best deliver back to our region.

I believe that community-led solutions are often the most effective way to address complex economic and sustainability issues within our district and business sector.

As a young, driven and motivated, self-employed business owner, I understand the challenges of operating a small business on the West Coast, dealing with remoteness, distance, climate and stretched infrastructure from the ever increasing visitor numbers.

Thank you, for the opportunity to present my nomination as Westland's representative on Development West Coast Charitable Trust.

## Development West Coast Westland Constituency Electing 1 Member

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### **Jackie GURDEN**

My principal place of residence is not in the Westland Constituency area.

My husband and I own property at Lake Kaniere where we reside regularly.

I have been a business owner for 25 years and have worked professionally on the West Coast for over 35 years, predominantly in strategic planning, feasibility studies and project management.

My career includes 12 years in local government across recreation, arts and community development; 5 years in district economic development and 3 years managing regional economic development through Venture West Coast, the region's economic agency before DWC. This included work across minerals, tourism, transport, broadband, technology, employment and education.

I manage the Wilderness Trail. Much of my work in recent years has been in Westland including planning and feasibility studies for the Westland Sports Hub and High School, Westland Cultural and Heritage Tourism Development, Carnegie Building, Hokitika Museum redevelopment and Hokitika RSA.

My priorities for DWC are ensuring support for business sectors and helping grow strong communities.

West Coast Regional Council  
Westland Constituency  
Electing 2 Regional Councillors

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**Debra MAGNER**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland Constituency area.

I have lived on the West Coast for 25 years and I am a dairy farmer at Arahura.

My previous career was in banking and farm consultancy. I have an Agricultural Science degree and a Post Graduate Diploma in Business Administration.

I have completed the West Coast Leadership and Governance Course and have held governance roles in farming, schools, and sports clubs.

I value the West Coast as a great place to work and live and have fully appreciated raising our 3 children here. I have a real commitment to encouraging the improvement of our natural environment.

As a business person and parent I know the importance of retaining our economic base and having a vibrant community. I want to ensure that this occurs in an environmentally sustainable manner.

I offer a diligent approach, diversity of opinion and an analytical and questioning voice on the WCRC.



West Coast Regional Council  
Westland Constituency  
Electing 2 Regional Councillors

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**John William WOOD**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Westland Constituency area.

Passionate about regional development using the natural resources on which our key industries of dairying, mining, tourism and forestry rely, I have a long history of advocacy for the region. A Hokitika resident, I am a consulting geologist with my own business servicing the mining industry. A former Regional Councillor, I helped establish Minerals West Coast to promote the continued growth of the region's mining industry which is currently under serious threat from the Government. Urgent action is needed to address the moratorium on new mining permits in South Westland which is creating massive costs for those needing rock for river protection work. Good governance is essential to achieve positive results and I have the necessary experience at both the local and national level to provide this. I am pleased to offer my services and experience to you as a Regional Council candidate to ensure our region prospers.

West Coast Regional Council  
Westland Constituency  
Electing 2 Regional Councillors

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**Stuart CHALLENGER**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland Constituency area.

I am standing for my third term on the West Coast Regional Council. I am a Civil/Geotechnical Engineer and live at Three Mile.

The consequences of what we do will affect us, our children, and their children, so it is important that we do it correctly. Changing weather patterns and increasing frequency of severe weather events is affecting the world, as most West Coast communities live by the sea or rivers, we will be affected more than most other regions. We need to make plans and strategies to minimise the effects, we need to start making those hard decisions, accept, intervene or adapt. There will come a point where we can no longer afford to make walls to keep nature out. But we cannot just walk away from communities we need innovative ways to support our communities. I want to work with those communities and to help make those decisions.

West Coast Regional Council  
Westland Constituency  
Electing 2 Regional Councillors

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**Logan John SKINNER**

My principal place of residence is in the Westland Constituency area.

A vote for me is a vote for more action and accountability. To reach the Coasts untapped potential, we need to have confidence that our property is protected in a cost effective and sustainable way. While we protect our environment, the regulatory burden in doing so should not be unnecessarily complex. I am also co spokesperson for the Waiho river rating group and have seen firsthand the damages of not being proactive with natural hazards.

Coming home to Westland 5 years ago I am based in Franz Josef. My family moved to the Westland in 1997, where we are involved in the tourism industry. Born and bred on a Sheep and Beef farm I attended Lincoln University. I qualified as a Chartered Accountant, working for the Government Auditor, AuditNZ. Working for PricewaterhouseCoopers for 10 years in London, I worked on a variety of Accounting and Controls projects.

Westland District Council  
Northern Ward  
Electing 3 Councillors

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**Anna HART**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

I was born and raised in South Canterbury but now reside in the beautiful Kowhitirangi Valley where my husband and I own and operate a dairy farm.

My back ground is a highly organised and detail-focused financial specialist with a background in accounting, and farming operations, I employ efficiency and accuracy to deliver sound financial analysis, management, and advice to board level. Working with agility, I am adept at handling changing priorities, in fast-paced, deadline-driven environments. Being a self-motivated and enthusiastic individual, I am a confident communicator and build lasting professional relationships with ease.

Outside of work I enjoy the outdoors, tramping with my family and spending the summer months on the lake doing water sports.

I believe the Westland District is an amazing and unique place with strong community values. I am committed to being a rural voice for Westland on the Westland District Council.

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**Graeme (Ginger) OLSON**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

Having had great support from my area and many others, I am putting my name forward again for the Northern riding of Westland District Council. The areas I am concerned with are

keeping up with infrastructure and core services to all of Westland and its rate payers.

Thanking you for any support

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**Jane NEALE**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

Having been a councillor at Westland District Council for the past three years, I strongly believe it is important to have diversity around the table.

This ensures different viewpoints can be presented and considered, and more truly reflects the makeup of our community.

As I said three years ago I will fight for transparency and equity. One of the biggest challenges facing council is to improve our resilience to cope with natural disasters and climate change. Council planning needs to reflect this.

Security of our assets and lifestyle is more important than developing any think big projects. Ratepayers' money should be spent on keeping what we have now, and working towards a sustainable future.

Westland is the most superb place to live, to work and to play. Cost of housing is low, unemployment is low and the playground of beaches, lakes, rivers and mountains is surely second to none.

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**Jenny KEOGAN**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

A Proud Coaster all my life, I have always been heavily involved in various roles with sporting, school and community groups and boards since a young age. I have over 20 years' experience in the Tourism sector including a successful term as the WDC Representative on Tourism West Coast. My current role being National Retail & Development Manager for Mountain Jade, as well as part of the Senior Management Team for the company. I have a genuine passion for our region that I wish to see continue to grow, creating opportunities and fostering positive relationships with key stake-holders and people of our community. We must build a strong and united council with the upcoming elections. We need a proactive elected 'Team' of councillors, who are all willing to work together positively, ensuring confident and informed decision making is made for the best interests of our ratepayers and growing region.

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**Kim JUDD**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

I chose to live and raise my family in the best place in the world. I've lived in Kaniere for over 20 years.

Married with 2 children, run a small-holding and built a genuine West Coast wilderness accommodation experience.

Contributing to the community:

Chairperson of Cactus (youth program),

Coordinator, Enterprise Hokitika,

Wildfoods Committee member,

Board of Trustees WHS,

Board of Trustees Kaniere School,

Team member of the International Mountain and Film Festival,

Member of the Sports Hub and started the covered court concept.

Other voluntary work:

Eco Care Pacific Trust, designing and building water filtration systems for schools and hospital in Tonga.

I stand for clear, creative thinking. Honest and open discussions, creating a sustainable future. We have to think lean and clean to maximise the benefit to our community of Westland.

To succeed we need local imaginative solutions that are grounded in models that work for our unique community.



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**Samuel BLIGHT**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

I love Westland. I had the privilege to be born and raised here. I have the privilege of living here. I hope that some of my grandchildren and great grandchildren will also have the privilege of

living here.

My vision is to see Westland as a place where people love to live, work and play. To ensure that, we must be responsible guardians of it socially, environmentally and economically. I am committed to sustainability in each of these areas.

I have experience in governance and senior management both in the public and private sector including both non-profit and commercial entities. As such I can bring a balanced perspective to the table. I am non-partisan, upfront and amicable in disagreement. I believe the culture around the council table needs to change, and I can be part of that change.

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**Trevor LISTER**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

I attended university on a Ministry of Transport scholarship. On graduation I worked on automotive safety standards and then as project manager for the Liquid Fuels Trust Board. I have served as the New Zealand delegate to the International Association for Natural Gas Vehicles. I later worked privately as a vehicle design and certification consultant.

In semi retirement I took up teaching and tutoring in maths, science and engineering. I am currently the Chairperson of the Ross Community Society.

Living in one of Hokitika's outlying villages has made me aware that residents of the outliers do not get a high level of Council attention. I wish to see improvement in this area, and will work hard to get it. I am tenacious when roused to action.

I play banjo for the Kokatahi Band, and spend time at the Heritage Park breathing life back into old engines.

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**Jacquie GRANT**

My principal place of residence is in the Northern Ward area.

I won't promises to reduce rates, its impossible; I will not go to the Media, the Minister, or the Auditor General, if things don't go my way.

I am a stickler for democratic process and know a majority decision is just that.

I understand good debt, bad debt, and inter-generational borrowing, how to lobby Central Government and other agencies for funding, something this Council and Mayor have been good at.

In business in Hokitika for 20 years, previously Dairy Farmer, Sailor, Chef and Show girl.

For 15 years I have been designing and manufacturing Sock Knitting Machines for the hobby market and running retail / internet store, my latest venture is a food outlet by Weld Lane.

6 years Grey District council, 9 years Human Rights Review Tribunal often sitting in the High Court, last year I was made an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit ONZM.

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**David CARRUTHERS**

My principal place of residence is in the Hokitika Ward area.

I am pleased to offer myself for re-election for the Hokitika Ward, having completed one term as an elected member. It has been my privilege to serve the people of Westland for the last three years and If re-elected I undertake to continue to apply my skills as a lawyer of 45 years' experience to this task. In my view the most significant achievement of the outgoing Council which has the greatest long-term benefit to the district has been staff appointments from the chief executive down. Unspectacular stuff, but Local bodies stand or fall by the quality of their staff and I believe we now have excellent staff who are doing a very good job for our ratepayers. We need the most qualified elected members and the best staff to deal with the significant challenges Westland District faces in the coming years.

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**Donna BAIRD**

My principal place of residence is not in the Hokitika Ward area.

Our region is going through change. To meet new regulations and guidelines our council requires resolution based ideas and common sense. Making Westland a proud place for future

generations.

Westland District has many challenges ahead and as a new councillor I will bring trust, honesty and good decision making. My love for a challenge inspires me to give 100%. I am extremely hardworking and love to see a job well done. I will debate the issues ahead not the personalities around the council table. Research, reading and consultation will be a priority for me not just off the cuff decisions. The need for guidance and accountability is essential for the future of Westland to go forward.

I am a proud West Coaster based in Hokitika. A business owner and from a farming/banking background, who wants the best for our region.

We need a bright sustainable future for Westland.

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### **Flow IN**

My principal place of residence is in the Hokitika Ward area.

We all have to live with the consequences of the decisions that our Council makes, on our behalf. We have to hope that the people we elect put their personal agendas aside and represent their

electorates.

We have to hope that our representatives make good choices and have vision.

Well, it seems that our Council is still making bad choices, and still plunging us ever deeper into debt.

So I'm standing for council. I hope that you give me the opportunity to be heard and to make effective change.

I have no business interests, no personal agenda. I just want a chance to do what is best, for us as a community.

Westland is the best place to live in the world. Let's keep it that way, for all of us.

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**Latham MARTIN**

My principal place of residence is not in the Hokitika Ward area. I am also standing for Mayor.

I am awake at the Council table and am prepared to speak out for what I believe. I research issues in depth and strive to ensure that Council decisions are made in the best interests of the community. When I believe decisions were not in the ratepayers' best interest, I have voiced my objections. I debate the issues and not the personalities around the Council table and have worked constructively to move Westland forward.

I enjoy working for, and with, our community. As part of a team I have transformed the governance of Westland High School in my role as Chair and have led the development of the DWC Westland Sports Hub - a \$3 million upgrade at no cost to the ratepayers.

I have a positive attitude and the time, desire and energy to continue to represent our District with pride.

I ask for your continued support.

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**Paul (Tanka) DAVIDSON**

My principal place of residence is in the Hokitika Ward area.

Hi, I am Paul Davidson, many of you will know me as Tanka, married to Sharon, with two children, Marie-Louise (Rural manager with ASB) and Colin (Managing Director, Heritage Jade).

Sharon and I were born here, our children and our grandchildren were born here and we have every reason to ensure this environment is protected. Prior to my retirement from DOC, I was instrumental in the planning and development of the Hokitika Gorge. I believe I have a sound knowledge on how to proceed forward enhancing what is good for this community.

One thing I need to make clear, those who know me, will confirm I have my own mind and I won't be dictated to. Sharon and I practice what we preach. We invest here. We are active in sport, business and governance roles. I bring to the Council honesty, integrity, effectiveness and efficiency.



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**Phil BARKER**

My principal place of residence is in the Hokitika Ward area.

My name is Philip Barker I am not standing in any other election.

I am 52 years old and married to Sonja with 2 children John and Anne.

I work at WMP and Sonja and I own and manage Stopforths Premium Accommodation.

I served for 30 years in the NZ Police retiring as a Senior Sergeant. I have significant experience in emergency management, civil defence and frontline leadership around New Zealand.

Our family is involved in the community and I am passionate about making an effective difference in Westland. I stand for integrity, respecting all viewpoints, but effective progressive policy.

As a commercial ratepayer I expect the council to live within its means and be focused, professional and fair to all ratepayers. It is time for positive change and everyone's vote counts this year. I ask for your support and if elected will work hard to make Westland great again.

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**Ange COWAN (NEE MURTHA)**

STOP Trashing Our Planet

My principal place of residence is in the Hokitika Ward area.

My name is Ange Murtha Cowan a born and breed West Coaster.

The Murtha family is well know and respected here and around New Zealand.

I have travelled widely and have lived overseas and around our beautiful country.

I am the owner operator of Billy's Animal Rescue Sanctuary where we rescue, rehabilitate, rehome animals and people alike.

Under the same umbrella we cover suicide, addictions and mental health awareness.

We also help the homeless family, fosters and orphans both in New Zealand and overseas in Africa.

I am a very well known and much respected animal activist and Kaitiaki of our beautiful country.

I am standing to help make a change for all no matter race, religion or creed that we desperately need and want.

This year i am running for Hokitika Ward, under our Stop Trashing Our Planet Banner.

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**Jim BUTZBACH**

My principal place of residence is not in the Hokitika Ward area.

I have been resident in Westland since 2003 and have a strong sense of family values. I have 3 terms of past experience as a District Councillor. I am standing as a candidate for the Hokitika Ward

because I see the need to again provide a seasoned voice for our community. I have strong analytical and communication skills. I am a trained listener and have a solid appreciation of the requirement for teamwork when making effective decisions within local governance. I have a depth of real-life skills and knowledge that enable me to advocate strongly and effectively for the community. I have several years of community service, involving myself in service organisations and non-government organisations assisting our youth as well as promoting general health and wellbeing in diverse ways.

I'm approachable and will bring energy, balance and focus to continue the development of a safe and sustainable community for all.

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**Brian MANERA**

My principal place of residence is in the Southern Ward area.

I am a fourth generation West Coaster, born and raised in South Westland.

I live in Hari Hari and am a business owner, Chairman of the Community Association and a

volunteer for Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

I have a background in agriculture and farming.

I am focused on the issues and wish to be part of creating an environment where the Council operates efficiently and in the best interest of the ratepayers.

I believe white baiting and sustainable native logging of windfall trees are essential parts of the South Westland economy, along with tourism.

As an owner of a local service station for over 20 years I have seen the growth of tourism and understand it's importance and impact on South Westland.

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**Gavin MOLLOY**

Independent

My principal place of residence is in the Southern Ward area.

Born and bred in Hokitika and I am now a resident of Franz Josef.

I was employed between 1979 and 1991 as Water Supply and Sewage Systems Overseer by the Westland District Council and its predecessor the Westland County Council and have an intimate knowledge of WDC infrastructure and functions.

Since 2001 I developed the Franz Alpine Resort Development near Franz Josef until it was collapsed by the immoral and damaging actions of the WDC which was later proven through High Court action in my company's favour.

During the last 15 years this council has sunken to unaffordable debt levels and bad decisions that are having a huge effect on both business and ratepayers.

I believe Council must get back to basics and deliver its core services only.

I will strongly advocate that if elected by you - Westland's greatest asset -its residents. Gavin Molloy

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**Gray EATWELL**

My principal place of residence is not in the Southern Ward area. I am also standing for Mayor.

I stood to be elected as your councillor in 2016 based on my concern that ratepayers of Westland have been deceived and poorly served by the

Councils we have elected for a long time.

This term as your Councillor has been challenging, but has unveiled a clear vision of the underlying culture that is corrupting due process and exposing us to endless costs and poor governance.

Although I am standing for the Mayoralty, I also offer you the option to elect me as your Councillor to keep working to bring your Council into line with community expectations. During my term at the Council table I have seen an obvious direction to ensure that Council is bought down to earth. Only a return to basic tried and true practices will stop the deterioration of our facilities and services despite ever increasing debt, and oppressive rates hikes.

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**Ian HARTSHORNE**

My principal place of residence is in the Southern Ward area.

I'm a proud Coaster born and bred in Hokitika. I headed away for a few years to work in Nelson, Wellington and Christchurch on civil earthwork projects. My wife, Kathy and I settled at Franz

Josef in 2005 where we built and operated a new motel complex. Since being back in Westland we have developed several new tourism businesses and now operate Franz Hire & Contracting which services the wider South Westland area. I enjoy my involvement in the community, including being on the boards of Franz Inc. and the Waiho River Rating Group along with participating in community projects. I feel that my common-sense approach, grass root relationships, knowledge of the South Westland townships and rural areas will add value to the decision-making process at the council table. Our District has huge potential. Let's realise this potential while remaining financially sound within our Districts means.

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**Ryan KENNEDY**

My principal place of residence is in the Southern Ward area. I am also standing for Mayor.

My partner Laura and I, along with our young son Robbie, call Okarito home. We currently manage an accommodation business prior to this I have come from a farming background and have lived

in Westland my whole life.

I am confident that should I succeed in this election, I will bring integrity and a genuine enthusiasm towards my role, ensuring that I am both available and approachable to the public throughout my term.

Council debt is too high, spending needs to be addressed. The current council and its leadership lack transparency. If elected, I believe I can lead a team into making decisions based on factual information, in the interests of ratepayers and in accordance with the local governance statement. Effective and honest actions of the Council are imperative for the future of all Westland.