

5. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEW ZEALAND FORTHCOMING ELECTIONS FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENTS**

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The purpose of this report is to advise of the forthcoming Local Government New Zealand elections, and have the committee consider whether it wishes to nominate people to the positions of president and vice-presidents.

Nominations have been called for the positions of President and two Vice Presidents of Local Government New Zealand. The term of appointment for all three positions is for three years. The Chief Executive Local Government New Zealand advises that the closing date for nominations is Friday 7 May 1999.

A list of validly nominated candidates will be circulated to all members as soon as possible after 7 May 1999 and be included with the AGM business papers. The ballot papers for the elections will be issued at the AGM to be held in the Aotea Centre, Auckland on the morning of 14 July 1999.

If the Council wishes to nominate a candidate for any of the three positions the nomination will require the seconding of a supporting Council.

Under recent revisions to the constitution of LGNZ, any person who was an elected member on the 31 May of the year before the election (in this case 31 May 1998) is eligible for election to the position of president. A president may not hold office for two consecutive terms.

For the positions of vice-presidents only those people (other than the President) who were National Councillors at 31 March 1999 are eligible for election. The National Council at 31 March 1999 is:

Mr Kerry Marshall, President of Local Government New Zealand  
Mr Don Riesterer, Opotiki District Council (Vice President)  
Ms Louise Rosson, Otago Regional Council (Vice President)  
Ms Georgina Beyer, Carterton District Council  
Mr Mark Blumsky, Wellington City Council  
Mrs Frana Cardno, Southland District Council  
Mr John Chaffey, Hurunui District Council  
Mrs Dianne Hale, North Shore City Council  
Mr Jim Peters, Northland Regional Council  
Mr Wynne Raymond, Timaru District Council  
Mr Paul Rieger, Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council  
Mrs Sukhi Turner, Dunedin City Council  
Mr Philip Warren, Auckland Regional Council  
Mr Gordon Blake, South Waikato District Council

**Recommendation:** That the Council consider whether it wishes to make nominations to the positions of President and Vice Presidents of LGNZ.