

Council Briefing Minutes

Date: Friday 21 September 2018

Time: Meeting commenced at 10.00 am

Meeting concluded at 11.45 am

Venue: Northern Wairoa War Memorial Hall – 37 Hokianga Road, Dargaville

	Briefing Report
1	Representation Review 2018

Present

Mayor Jason Smith (Chair), Deputy Mayor Peter Wethey and Councillors Libby Jones, Karen Joyce-Paki (via audio link 10.42 am—11.20 am) and Jonathan Larsen.

Name	Designation	Item(s)
Curt Martin	Acting Chief Executive	All
Dale Ofsoske	Electoral Officer, Election Services	All
Jason Marris	General Manager Governance, Strategy and Democracy	All
Lisa Hong	Governance Advisor	All (Minute-taker)

Apologies

Councillors Anna Curnow, Victoria del la Varis-Woodcock, Julie Geange and Andrew Wade

1 Representation Review 2018

Dale Ofsoske of Election Services gave a presentation on the background, submissions, process and possible options for the final proposal.

Elected Members discussed the presentation and the following matters:

- Fair and equal representation
- Communities of interest
- Initial proposal and submission feedback
- Population variation limits, particularly for Kaiwaka-Mangawhai and the Dargaville Wards
- Potential options based on feedback
- Councillor remuneration and the Remuneration Authority's intention to revert to the pool system of remuneration (no additional cost to ratepayers when a Councillor is added; no less cost to ratepayers when a Councillor is removed)

Elected members provided direction to Dale Ofsoske and Council staff to prepare the following options in the report for the 09 October 2018 Extraordinary Council meeting:

- Option 1 – Initial Proposal of 8 councillors, 4 wards, no community boards
- Option 2 A – 8 councillors, 2 wards, no community boards
- Option 2 B – 6 councillors, 2 wards, no community boards
- Option 3 A – 9 councillors, 3 wards (current boundary), no community boards
- Option 3 B – 9 councillors, 3 wards (with boundary adjustment at Greenhill Road), no community boards

Meeting closed at 11.45 am.