

Candidate Information Session

30 June 2022





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Welcome

- Jane Davis, General Manager
Planning & Regulatory Services
- Jo Daly, Electoral Officer



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	<p>Te Tāngata: People</p> <p>The city actively promotes a culture of equity by valuing diversity and fostering inclusion across communities and generations.</p>		<p>Te Whenua: Place</p> <p>We support and help build connections between communities and their places and spaces to foster a sense of local identity, shared experience and stewardship.</p>
	<p>Te Mahi: Participation</p> <p>Residents and groups in the wider community are socially and actively engaged and are able to initiate, influence and make decisions that affect their lives.</p>		<p>Te Takatū: Preparedness</p> <p>People feel safe in their communities and neighbourhoods and work together to understand, adapt and thrive in the context of change and disruption.</p>



The Council



A creature of statute

Everything a council does is governed by the legislative framework established by Parliament – more than 125 pieces of legislation

The four 'P's of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA)

- **Purpose** of the Act and of local government
- **Powers** of local government
- **Principles** relating to local government
- **Process** long-term community plans and decision making

Purpose of local government

The purpose of local government is –

- (1) To enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and*
- (2) To promote the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.*

Local Government Act 2002, section 10

Powers

Local government can do anything (lawful) it likes

However...

- Actions must fulfil the purpose of local government
- Decision-making must be systematic
- Must keep the public well informed, and consider their views at each stage of decision making
- Must use formal processes for major decisions
- Subject to requirements of other legislation

Principles

- Openness, transparency and democratic accountability
- Efficiency and effectiveness
- Having regard to community views
- Future as well as current communities
- Decisions consistent with the purposes in the Act
- Opportunities for Māori to contribute to decision-making
- Collaboration and cooperation
- Sound business practices
- Prudent stewardship
- Sustainable development approach
- Governance principles and consultation principles

Process

- Long Term Plans
- Decision-making

Developing Resilience in the 21st Century
Strategic Framework

Whiria ngā whenu o ngā papa,
honoa ki te maurua tāukiuki
Bind together the strands of each mat and join together with the seams of respect and reciprocity

Ōtautahi-Christchurch is a city of opportunity for all
Open to new ideas, new people and new ways of doing things – a city where anything is possible

Principles

Being open, transparent and democratically accountable Promoting equity, valuing diversity and fostering inclusion	Taking an inter-generational approach to sustainable development, prioritising the social, economic and cultural wellbeing of people and communities and the quality of the environment, now and into the future	Building on the relationship with Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and the Te Hononga-Council Papatipu Rūnanga partnership, reflecting mutual understanding and respect	Actively collaborating and co-operating with other local, regional and national organisations Ensuring the diversity and interests of our communities across the city and the district are reflected in decision-making
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Community Outcomes

Resilient communities Strong sense of community Active participation in civic life Safe and healthy communities Celebration of our identity through arts, culture, heritage, sport and recreation Valuing the voices of all cultures and ages (including children)	Liveable city Vibrant and thriving city centre Sustainable suburban and rural centres A well connected and accessible city promoting active and public transport Sufficient supply of, and access to, a range of housing 21st century garden city we are proud to live in	Healthy environment Healthy water bodies High quality drinking water Unique landscapes and indigenous biodiversity are valued and stewardship exercised Sustainable use of resources and minimising waste	Prosperous economy Great place for people, business and investment An inclusive, equitable economy with broad-based prosperity for all A productive, adaptive and resilient economic base Modern and robust city infrastructure and community facilities
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Strategic Priorities

Enabling active and connected communities to own their future	Meeting the challenge of climate change through every means available	Ensuring a high quality drinking water supply that is safe and sustainable	Accelerating the momentum the city needs	Ensuring rates are affordable and sustainable
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Ensuring we get core business done while delivering on our Strategic Priorities and achieving our Community Outcomes

Engagement with the community and partners	Strategies, Plans and Partnerships	Long Term Plan and Annual Plan	Our service delivery approach	Monitoring and reporting on our progress
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Skills, qualities and capabilities of an elected member

- Quality decision making
- Strategic thinking
- Political acumen
- Leadership
- Interest and contributions to the community
- Cultural awareness
- Knowledge and understanding of local government
- Communication and engagement
- Relationship building and collaboration
- Integrity and trust
- Commitment



Christchurch City Council decision making

- Council
- Community Boards

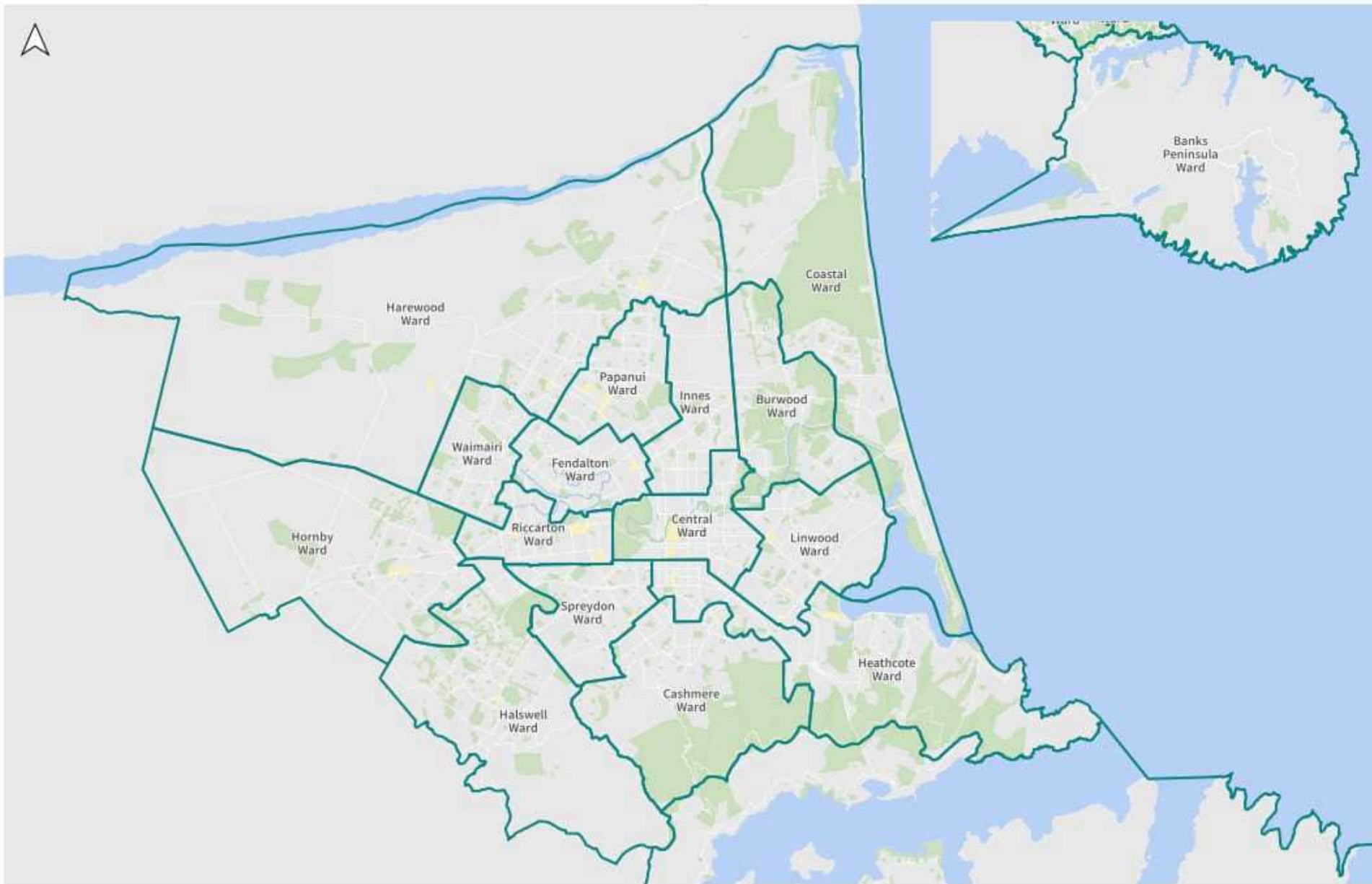


Representation Review 2021

The Council is required to review its representation arrangements at least once every six years.

The 2021 review to be in place for these elections:

- Amendments to the 15 city ward boundaries to make sure the population of each is within 10 percent of the population of others
- Banks Peninsula will continue to be its own ward, with four subdivisions
- Reduction to six community boards - Linwood, Central and Heathcote wards join neighbouring community boards.



Elections will be held for:

Mayor

16 Councillors elected from 16 wards

- Banks Peninsula
- Burwood
- Cashmere
- Central
- Coastal
- Fendalton
- Halswell
- Harewood
- Heathcote
- Hornby
- Innes
- Linwood
- Papanui
- Riccarton
- Spreydon
- Waimairi

37 Members for six community boards

Six community boards

Community Board	Ward or Subdivision	Members
Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū Banks Peninsula	Akaroa subdivision	2
	Lyttelton subdivision	2
	Mt Herbert subdivision	2
	Wairewa subdivision	1
Waitai Coastal-Burwood-Linwood	Coastal ward	2
	Burwood ward	2
	Linwood ward	2
Waimāero Fendalton-Waimairi-Harewood	Fendalton ward	2
	Waimairi ward	2
	Harewood ward	2
Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton	Halswell ward	2
	Hornby ward	2
	Riccarton ward	2
Waipapa Papanui-Innes-Central	Papanui ward	2
	Innes ward	2
	Central ward	2
Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere-Heathcote	Spreydon ward	2
	Cashmere ward	2
	Heathcote ward	2

Council

Elected members, acting as the Council, are responsible for governance including:

- the development and adoption of Council policy
- monitoring the performance of the Council against its stated objectives
- prudent stewardship of Council resources
- employment of the chief executive

Elected members are responsible for representing the interests of the residents and ratepayers of Christchurch.

Councillors

- Primary responsibility is to take a Christchurch-wide view and make decisions affecting the district as a whole
- Must balance the obligation to represent the ward with the obligation to act in the best interests of the whole city
- Elected on a ward basis and need to understand the communities and issues in their wards
- Appointed to community boards
- Being a Councillor is a full time job – evening and weekend commitments
- Public role.

Councillors

- This term the Council has meet at least monthly, with four Committees of the Whole also meeting monthly
- Weekly briefing meetings requiring attendance
- Councillors appointed to other committees, subcommittees, hearings panels, working groups and on external groups
- Significant time to read reports, agendas, plans and other preparation
- Community Board meetings and briefings
- Attend meetings and workshops with officers and external parties
- Engage with the public, including attending events, public meetings, liaising with residents, community and other groups.

Community Boards

The role of a community board is to -

- represent and act as an advocate for the interests of the community;*
- consider and report on any matter referred to it by their council, and any issues of interest to the community board;*
- make an annual submission to their council on expenditure*
- maintain an overview of services provided by their council within the community; and*
- communicate with community organisations and special interest groups in the community, and undertake any other responsibilities delegated by their council.*

Local Government Act 2002, section 52

Community Boards

- Six community boards
 - five community boards with nine members, one with eight members
 - elected by the voters from the ward or subdivision they represent
- Community boards have a key advocacy role in Council decisions and policies
- Community Governance Partnership Agreement
- Make decisions on local community issues, activities and facilities, and help build strong communities
- Develop Community Board Plans with the key priorities.

Community Board Members

Chairperson

- Each Board elects one of its members to be Chairperson
- The role of Board Chairperson requires substantial additional commitment

Deputy Chairperson and Members

- Each Board elects a Deputy Chairperson
- Community Board each supported by a dedicated Community Governance Team

Remuneration

The Remuneration Authority is responsible for setting the remuneration of local government elected members.

Elected members are classified as self-employed.

Mayor and Councillor remuneration

Determined by a formula based on each councils' population and expenditure

- Mayor \$200,000
- Councillor \$100,278 (*minimum allowable remuneration*)

Governance Pool \$1,900,000 to be allocated between Councillors post-election.

Community Board Remuneration

Community board remuneration is based on population

Community Board	Member	Community Board Chairperson*
Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū Banks Peninsula Community Board	\$10,153	\$20,305
Waitai Coastal-Burwood-Linwood-Community Board	\$24,905	\$49,755
Waimāero Fendalton–Waimairi-Harewood Community Board	\$24,810	\$49,565
Waipuna Halswell-Hornby-Riccarton Community Board	\$25,572	\$51,109
Waipapa Papanui-Innes-Central-Community Board	\$23,690	\$47,380
Waihoru Spreydon-Cashmere-Heathcote Community Board	\$26,039	\$52,077

*Community Board Chairpersons receive twice the remuneration of members

Councillors do not receive additional remuneration for being appointed to Community Boards.

Allowances

Elected members are also entitled to allowances for activity related to official local authority business.

Allowances are set by the Remuneration Authority for Council to adopt, currently:

- vehicle mileage allowance for travel
- travel time allowance for travel within the council area
- allowance for use of personal ICT equipment and services
- childcare allowance – community board members.

2022 Elections



Electoral team

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elections2022@ccc.govt.nz

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027 236 9052

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amorton@electionz.com

03 377 3530

Electoral Office – ground floor Te Hononga Civic Offices from 8 July 2022

Electoral Officer role and responsibilities

The Electoral Officer (EO) is solely responsible for the conduct for the election.

This includes:

- Compilation of the electoral roles
- Public notices
- Preparation of election documents
- Receiving and processing nominations
- Preparing, printing, issuing of special voting documents
- Declaration of results – progress, preliminary and final
- Receiving returns of electoral expenses and donations
- Investigating alleged breaches of the Act and as required reporting to the Police

Key dates

Nominations open – electoral roll opens	Friday 15 July
Nominations close – electoral roll closes	noon Friday 12 August
Temporary electoral signage permitted	from Friday 15 July
Delivery of voting papers	Friday 16 September – Wednesday 21 September
Voting and special voting period	Friday 16 September – noon Saturday 8 October
Removal of electoral signage	midnight Friday 7 October
Close of voting	noon Saturday 8 October
Progress results available	as soon as practical after the close of voting
Preliminary results available	Sunday 9 October
Final results and official declaration	from Thursday 13 October
Candidate return expenses/donations	approximately Friday 9 December

Nominations



Nomination process

- Nomination period – Friday 16 July to noon Friday 12 August
- All nomination documents must be submitted together
- Nomination form, profile statement, photo, \$200 deposit (or proof of) and evidence of New Zealand citizenship
- Can be lodged at Te Hononga Civic Offices or emailed to nomination2022@ccc.govt.nz
- Can use commonly used names on voting documents – not titles
- Party affiliations – cannot be offensive or confusing (limited to 38 characters)
- Confirmed candidate listings published on Council website
- **Do not leave nominations until the last day**

Candidate Qualifications

Must be

- A New Zealand Citizen
- Enrolled on the parliamentary electoral roll in New Zealand
- Nominated by two people on the electoral roll in the area standing

Cannot

- Stand for both Christchurch City Council and Environment Canterbury
- Be serving a prison sentence of three years or more
- Have in an interest in a contract of more than \$25,000 with Council
- Withdraw after nominations close except for incapacity reasons

Can stand

- For Mayor and/or Councillor and/or Community Board member
- If a Council employee but must resign if elected to Council
- If live outside the area, but must state that on nomination form
- As an independent candidate, or under an affiliation, or as part of a group

Candidate profile statements and photos

Candidate profile statements

- May be provided – not mandatory
- Must be provided electronically and with other nomination documents in text/MS Word – not a pdf or handwritten
- Up to 150 words about the candidate, their policies or intentions
- Cannot comment on the policies of another candidate
- Printed statement will contain whether candidate resides in the election area and/or if standing for any other elections – not included in 150 words
- EO not required to verify or investigate any information included in profile statement

Photos

- May be provided – not mandatory
- Should be in colour, within the last 12 months, head and shoulders shot only
- Should be supplied electronically – jpg
- Must be provided with other nomination documents


Candidate profiles and photos should be emailed/provided on pen drive to the EO – a hard copy must be also attached with nomination documents if lodging personally – all documents submitted together

Candidate contact details and candidate profile statements and photos will be available on the Council website after the close of nominations.

Example profile statement

Wellington City Council

Electing the Mayor



Celia WADE-BROWN
a good choice for Wellington

My principal place of residence is not in the Wellington City Council area.

I am also standing for the Northern Ward and the Capital and Coast DHB.

Celia Wade-Brown is an approachable, fair and inclusive leader. Her positive Council contribution, community work and business background offer a good combination of skills. She has protected heritage and green spaces, led significant energy and water

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Hard-coded text

A TE ROHE PŌTI • ELECTION AREA

I wish to stand for election as **Mayor** of Christchurch.

My principal place of residence
(tick ONE circle):

is **WITHIN** the Christchurch City Council area

is **NOT WITHIN** the Christchurch City Council area

B MĀ TE KAITONO • CANDIDATE TO FILL OUT after reading important information on reverse

I (candidate's full name),

accept the nomination and confirm that I have read and understand the **Eligibility and Candidacy** notes on the reverse of this form and certify that I am qualified to be a candidate under section 25 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and regulations and that I am not disqualified under section 58 of the Local Electoral Act 2001. In particular, I am a New Zealand citizen and a parliamentary elector.

Address

(as listed on the parliamentary roll):

Email (Preferred communication option for Electoral Officer):

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

I understand that the details provided on this nomination paper will be publicly available for election purposes.

Please advise the Electoral Officer at the time of lodging your nomination if there are contact details that you would not like to be published.

Note: Section 55(5) of the Local Electoral Act 2001 requires that this nomination form be available for public inspection at **Christchurch City Council** offices located at **53 Hereford St, Christchurch**. Please note that candidate and nominator details and any photo and profile statement provided will also be made available on the Christchurch City Council website and through online channels and applications.

I am also standing for the following elections:

I wish my name to be shown on the voting document as:

I wish to use the following affiliation: (To be left blank if the candidate does not wish to use any party/group affiliation. A candidate with no affiliation may request that 'independent' be shown. Maximum affiliation length is 38 characters (including any spaces between words).)

Signature:

Date:

C MĀ TE KAITAUTOKO • NOMINATORS TO FILL OUT

We, the undersigned electors of the Christchurch City Council hereby nominate (candidate's full name):

with his/her consent, as a candidate for the office of **Mayor** of Christchurch City Council, the election for which is to be held on 8 October 2022.

Full name of **First Nominator**:

Address:

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

Signature of **First Nominator**:

Date:

Full name of **Second Nominator**:

Address:

Mobile phone:

Home phone:

Signature of **Second Nominator**:

Date:

ELIGIBILITY & CANDIDACY NOTES

- Candidates for this position do not need to live within the Christchurch City Council area, but must be a New Zealand citizen and enrolled as a NZ parliamentary elector.
- Both nominators **must** be enrolled as electors of Christchurch City Council.
- No person can be elected to a local authority if he/she is concerned or interested in contracts over \$25,000 with that local authority. This restriction is waived if **prior** approval from the office of the Controller and Auditor-General is obtained (section 3(1) Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968).
- A candidate may stand for either the regional council or city/district council/community board in the regional council's district, but not both (section 58 LEA).
- A candidate **cannot** nominate themselves for office.
- A candidate may under section 56 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 (LEA) be nominated under a name which the candidate is commonly known provided that the name will not: cause offence to a reasonable person; be unreasonably long; include or resemble an official rank or title; cause confusion or mislead electors (section 56 LEA).
- Where no affiliation is claimed, or an affiliation is disallowed by the Electoral Officer under section 57 of the LEA, nothing will be shown in the public notice or the voting paper against the candidate's name. A candidate with no affiliation may request that 'independent' be shown.
- Under section 121 of the LEA, any person is liable to a fine of up to \$2,000 who:
 - Knowing themselves to be ineligible for election, consents to being nominated for election; or
 - Nominates any person as a candidate whom he/she knows to be ineligible for election; or
 - Not being the candidate signs any nomination paper knowing that they are not qualified to vote at the election.
- Each nomination must be accompanied by the required deposit of \$200.00 (inclusive of GST) or proof of an electronic deposit.
- Evidence of NZ citizenship is required at the time of candidate nomination. Acceptable evidence includes a copy of a NZ passport, NZ birth certificate or NZ citizenship documentation.
- Nominations of candidates **must** be in the hands of the Electoral Officer, Christchurch City Council, before 12 noon on Friday 12 August 2022.
- An employee of a local authority may stand for election as mayor or councillor of that local authority, but if elected, must resign as an employee of the local authority before taking office. This provision does not apply to employees of a local authority elected to a community or local board.

RETURN, PAYMENT AND REFUND DETAILS

I submit with this nomination (please tick appropriate circles):

Evidence of NZ citizenship

Evidence of deposit (\$200)

Photo

Profile statement

I understand that, in not providing a profile or photo, the words "Profile/Photo not supplied" will appear below my name in the profile booklet that will be sent out with the voting paper. **All nomination documents must be submitted at the same time.**

Deliver to:

Christchurch City Council, 53 Hereford St, Christchurch

or, scan and email to:

nomination2022@ccc.govt.nz

Contact the Electoral Officer on (03) 941 8581 if the above delivery options are not practical for you.

Payments can be made by **cash** or **eftpos** directly at the Christchurch City Council, 53 Hereford St, Christchurch, if you are returning this form by hand or by **online banking** using the details provided below:

Account name:	Christchurch City Council	Bank:	BNZ
Account number:	02 0800 0044765-00	Particulars/Reference:	Election Fee
Code:	(Your initials and surname)		

Refunds of nomination deposits (where eligible) will be made by online deposit into a bank account. Please list below the bank account to use for your refund.

Account name:

Account number:

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ELECTORAL OFFICIAL to fill out

Received at the hour of: _____ on the _____ day of _____ 20____

Candidate Roll #: _____

First Nominator Roll #: _____ Second Nominator Roll #: _____

Nomination documents approved:

<input type="radio"/> Nomination paper	<input type="radio"/> Deposit/proof of deposit	<input type="radio"/> Place of residence
<input type="radio"/> Photo	<input type="radio"/> Profile statement	<input type="radio"/> Proof of NZ citizenship
<input type="radio"/> Standing for other elections		

Signature of Electoral Official: _____ Date: _____

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Campaigning



Campaigning

- Can start at any time
- At the candidate's own cost – records to be kept of all expenses and donations
- Campaigning
 - no Council resources to be used for campaigning – including email addresses, branding, stationery, officers
 - voting papers should not be collected from electors by candidates, assistants and agents
 - No campaigning or electioneering activity on Council premises
- All campaign material – flyers, ads, signs, vehicle signage, posters, billboards – must include an authorisation from the candidate or their agent stating their name and contact details
 - Local Electoral Act (Advertising) Amendment Bill - *a residential or business address, email address, PO Box number, phone number or a link to an internet page with one or more of those contact details.*
- Any campaign content is subject to Advertising Standards Authority guidelines and complaints process – must be factual
- Rules of defamation apply.

Election Expenditure limits

Total electoral expenses, including GST, must not exceed:

Mayor	\$70,000
Councillor city ward	\$20,000
Councillor – Banks Peninsula ward	\$7,000
Community Board – city ward	\$20,000
Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū Banks Peninsula Community Board - subdivisions	\$3,500

If standing for more than one position the higher limit applies, not both.

Election expenses

- The applicable period for which campaign expenditure limits applies is three months before election day – from 8 July 2022
- Candidates are required to provide details of all election expenses to EO, apportioned expenses for activity outside of the three month applicable period must be included in the return
- Return of electoral expenses and electoral donations required within 55 days of the official result declaration – 9 December 2022
- Refund of \$200 election deposit – if candidate receives 25% of the votes of the lowest successful candidate – will not be paid until the return is lodged
- Return of electoral expenses and electoral donations are public documents – will be available on the Council website for seven years.

Electoral donations

- No time limit on when donations are received, all donations to be recorded
- Do not have to accept a donation
- Must be included in the candidate return
- No such thing as an anonymous donation if you know who it has come from
 - someone can't give you a donation and ask for it to be treated anonymously
 - anonymous means you don't know who it came from, can't reasonably work it out
 - a third party who passes on a donation must disclose who the donor is
- An anonymous donation cannot be over \$1,500
 - If it is, a candidate can't keep the balance over \$1,500 – it must be given to EO to pass on to Council
 - A donation made of contributions (e.g. through a Trust) is treated as one donation, can't be over \$1,500
 - It is an offence to circumvent \$1,500 limit, i.e. by deliberately splitting up a donation into smaller contributions.

Temporary local election signage

- Legislation and rules relating to candidate and party temporary local election signage include the Christchurch District Plan, Council and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Authority by-laws
- All signage displayed must have the approval of the landowner - includes private, commercial and residential properties
- Rules apply to signage on vehicles
- All electoral signs must include the authorisation statement
- Signage permitted from 15 July 2022
- Signage must be removed by midnight on Friday 7 October.

Temporary local election signage

- No new individual temporary election sign may be more than 3m² in area
- A maximum of 3m² signage per site may be placed in addition to any other legal signage already permitted by the District Plan
- Signage must not obscure or distract from traffic signals or traffic safety signs
- Election advertising on vehicles must be flush – not protrude out from or above
- No temporary election or referendum signage that increase the size of trailers and other structures
- Restrictions apply to signage on Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency roads (State Highways) with a speed limit of more than 70km/h
- Additional restrictions apply to signage in certain areas identified by the District Plan as having special values, sites of ecological significance, heritage items or settings, significant trees.

Election signs – good and bad



VOTE

FRED DAGG

FOR THE TOWN WARD

“OPEN GOVERNMENT AT ALL HOURS”

THIS ADVERTISEMENT IS AUTHORISED BY JOHN SMITH OF 12 THIRD STREET WELLINGTON



VOTE

FRED DAGG
BLUE PARTY

JOHN SNOW
RED PARTY

JANE DOE
WHITE PARTY

BILL BOB
PURPLE PARTY



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Commercial billboards



Social media

During the three month period, from 8 July 2022

- The Council's social media channels will unlike/unfollow candidate social media channels
- Candidates must not link their own social media channels (if they are used for campaigning purposes) to Council's social media channels and must ensure their channels have the appropriate authorisation statement
- Council social media channels cannot be used for electioneering by candidates or members of the public – will be monitored and enforced
- Candidates or parties cannot campaign on Council channels, should not tag, like or comment on Council posts
- Any post – positive or negative – by any person relating to their own or someone else's nomination, intention to run for Council or election campaign will be removed
- Council's social media channels will remain neutral. They will be used to promote elections and the importance of voting but will not associate these posts with any candidates.
- During the lead up to elections current elected members may be used in business as usual activity.

Election offences

Legislation includes provisions relating to election offences:

- Illegal nominations
- Imitation voting papers
- Treating
- Bribery
- Undue influence
- Unauthorised advertisements

Any formal complaint passed to the Police.

Resources

- Christchurch City Council website www.ccc.govt.nz/elections
- Candidate information booklet and nomination forms available early July
- Local Government New Zealand resources <https://www.lgnz.co.nz/local-government-in-nz/local-elections/vote2022/information-for-candidates/>
- Christchurch City Council pre-election report available July
 - To provide information to promote public discussion about the issues facing Council
 - To facilitate and foster electoral participation
 - To stimulate informed debate about local authority funding and expenditure issues
- Legislation: www.legislation.govt.nz
 - Local Electoral Act 2001 and Local Electoral Regulations 2001

Voting and results



Electoral rolls

Preliminary Electoral Roll

- Available for inspection from 15 July to 5pm Friday 12 August 2022 – Council Civic Offices, Customer Service Centres and Libraries
- Cannot be provided electronically to candidates
- Can purchase after 15 July.

Final Electoral Roll

- Produced following the Electoral Commission campaign
- Roll used for issuing voting documents
- Can purchase hard copy.

Voting and Special voting

Voting documents will be delivered between 16 September and 21 September to all people enrolled by 12 August

- Must be returned by noon Saturday 8 October – return post (suggest by 4 October) or ballot box

Special voting is available for anyone who does not receive, spoils or loses their voting papers or enrolls after 12 August

- Special voting is available for anyone on the unpublished roll
- Special voting documents can be posted or picked up
- Special voting will be available from Friday 16 September to noon on Saturday 8 October at Civic Offices
- Special voting will be available from eight Customer Service Centres around the city from Friday 16 September to Friday 7 October
- Candidates cannot request or collect special voting documents or voting documents on behalf of electors.

Election results

- Preliminary count occurs from noon Saturday 8 October
- Progress results
 - as soon as practicable after close of voting – approximately 98% of votes (excludes special votes and votes in transit)
 - available on Council website and emailed to candidates who have provided an email address
- Preliminary results
 - expected on Sunday 9 October after all ordinary votes have been processed
- Final results
 - Expected from Thursday 13 October, after special votes have been processed
- EO declaration as soon as practical following the final result.

Post-election



Post-election process

- Elected members come into office the day after the official declaration – the day after the public notice has been published.
- The induction programme is under development
 - Drop in clinics
 - Induction workshops and training
 - Orientation sessions
- Successful candidates will need to be available during the two weeks following the election for these initial sessions
- Further details will be provided to all candidates.

Post election process

- The inaugural Council meeting will be scheduled for late October, with inaugural community board meetings in the following weeks.
- No person is permitted to act as a member of the Council or a Community Board until making their declaration at a meeting.

Equipment and technology

- Elected members will be provided with information and support to perform their role, including
 - email address
 - electronic device
 - security access card
- The Council operates in a paperless environment – agendas, meeting and other documents are provided electronically to be accessed via the Council-supplied device
- Important information will be provided through online and electronic channels
- Training, technology and ongoing support will be available.

Local Government Reforms

- Future for local government
- Three Waters
- Resource Management

Christchurch by the numbers

369,006

NZ's second-largest city by urban area population.

77.9% European

14.9% Asian

9.9% Māori

3.8% Pacific

2.9% Other

Where a person reported more than one ethnic group, they were counted in each applicable group.

37.1 years

Median age



\$32,900

Median income

6.5%

Have activity limitations

36.5%

Don't own their home or hold it in trust

86.7%

Have internet access

Source: 2018 Census



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