

# Taranaki Electricity Trust Ward B

Election of Trustees - 12 June 2020

## **CANDIDATE STATEMENTS**



#### **Rick COPLESTONE**

My name is Rick Coplestone. I have been on the Taranaki Electricity Trust since being appointed 18 months ago. In this time I have caught up with a large portion of protocols, policies and essential historic information.

I'm a team player in a group of excellent trustees made up of accountants, Lawyer and economists.

I have been appointed by the TET as a director of Age Care Central which is in charge of Mairere and Mary-Anne Retirement homes. What I offer is a business sense of decision making and budgeting. My passion lies in the Stratford District (Ward B) and proud to be here for a second term.

I am a positive person with loads of enthusiasm.

My aim is to keep the TET in a healthy position to deliver back to the District vital assistance. A vote for myself is a vote to keep our District strong and vibrant.



#### Jono ERWOOD

It is with pleasure that I seek election as a trustee on the Taranaki Electricity Trust Board.

I am committed to the Ward B area, being involved in a plethora of community organisations either as a mentor, trustee, councillor, committee man, chairman, coach, or liaison.

I live in Stratford and work as a Police Officer in the

Central and South Taranaki areas. Having been with the Police for 30 years, I have a good understanding of people. I have many networks throughout the Stratford and Eltham areas, assisted by my role as a School Community Officer.

I have the time and passion for the district and am very communityorientated, with governance experience. I am accessible to people of various walks of life and am a good listening ear.

I would like to represent Ward B in a fair, honest, and transparent manner.

'Want a job done - ask a busy person'.



### **Alan JAMIESON**

We need to maintain courageous and level-headed leadership.

I am Alan Jamieson; TET Chairman, Deputy Mayor, Businessman, JP, Father and proud Stratford resident

I have a passion for ensuring TET invests locally and offers support where it can and to those that

need it. The fair and just distribution of grants throughout the TET area is a passion of mine. I anticipate an increase in grant applications as our communities return to their individual bests and seek to contribute to our economic and social economy once again. I have a job to do to enable that to happen.

I am approachable, in-tune with the needs of our communities, forward-thinking, logical and Taranaki-proud. I will always put our community first and I remain proud of the decisions I have made as a Trustee and Chairman of the TET.

Vote Alan Jamieson for stability and dependability.



#### **Matthew MCDONALD**

I am a great supporter of the TET Trust and the essential role it plays in the Stratford and Eltham districts, and I believe that if elected as trustee the integrity and responsibility won't be lost. As a local business's owner, with a young family I am involved throughout the community as a coach, player, and parent this connects me to a range of people

across different groups and provides the contact from the community to understand the community. I am currently serving a second term as your regional councillor and chair of the RTC committee and are actively involved in the Eltham Lions Club. All this gives me a good understanding of decision making at a board level. I am very approachable to anyone and with a main street office people can reach me any time.



#### **Andrew WOOD**

I currently serve the Stratford, Eltham and Kaponga communities as a Trustee on the TET and seek your support for re-election.

I am a qualified Associated Chartered Accountant and hold a Bachelor of Business. I am a member of the Chartered Accountants Australia-New Zealand and Institute of Directors New Zealand.

I have strong governance experience from positions held in voluntary and commercial organisations.

As a TET Trustee I have successfully advocated for a broad number of applicants in support of their events or projects.

I believe that TET funds should only be granted to TET based organisations for events and projects that are eligible within the TET boundary.

If re-elected I will continue to bring balance by retaining the integrity of the TET through my independent representation that is free of any political pressures.

I support the Taranaki Electricity Trust to be held in perpetuity.

Thank you for your consideration.