



## Final Representation Arrangements - 2022 Local Elections

On 2 September 2021, the Opōtiki District Council gave public notice of its initial proposal for representation arrangements to apply for the Council for the elections to be held in 2022. Notification of the right to make submissions was also given.

No submissions were received in respect of the resolution, therefore the representation arrangements for the Opōtiki District Council's 2022 local elections will be the same as in the initial proposal.

### Council Representation

The Council will comprise:

- (a) 6 councillors, plus the mayor (being the status quo);
- (b) 3 wards, being the:
  - **Coast Ward** (1 councillor), comprising the area in SO Plan 8392 (being the status quo);
  - **Opōtiki Ward** (3 councillors), comprising the area in SO Plan 334312 (being the status quo);
  - **Waioeka-Waiōtahe-Otara Ward** (2 councillors), comprising the area in SO Plan 334314 (being the status quo).
- (c) 1 community board, being:
  - **Coast Community Board** (4 members, plus 1 appointed councillor representing the Coast Ward), comprising the area of SO Plan 8392 (being the status quo);

The 3 wards, the number of councillors per ward, the ward populations (estimated as at 30 June 2020) and the population ratio per councillor are as follows:

Ward	No. Councillors	Population	Population Ratio	% Variation
Coast	1	1,510	1,510	-9.6%
Opōtiki	3	5,230	1,743	+4.37%
Waioeka-Waiōtahe-Otara	2	3,280	1,640	+1.8%

In accordance with section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act 2001, the population that each councillor represents must be within the population range of 1,670 plus or minus 10% (1,503 - 1,837).

### Further Information

Any queries regarding the Council's decision should be directed to: Finance and Corporate Services Manager, Opōtiki District Council, 108 St John Street, Opōtiki, or PO Box 44, Opōtiki 3122.

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