

AN UPDATE ON UPCOMING WPCT TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

The three-year term for the WPCT Trustees comes to an end in September 2019.

We are initiating an open and independent voting process, consistent with the WPCT Trust Deed, to elect the Hapū representatives.

The Marae representatives will also go through their own selection process, which will be managed through their respective marae committees.

We encourage you to get involved, and to put your nominations forward. Note, the current Hapū and Marae representatives are eligible for re-election.

Election Services has been appointed as the Chief Returning Officer to co-ordinate the voting process for Hapū Trustee Elections. The table below lists key dates relating to the Hapū Trustee Elections, including nominations and voting. These are consistent with timings specified in the WPCT Trust Deed.

The official declaration of results will be published by way of a public notice in newspapers and on the Trust website, as specified in the WPCT Trust Deed, Second Schedule, rule 10.2. More information around Hapū Trustee Elections is on pages 29-34 of the Trust Deed.

You can access the Trust Deed on the WPCT website: www.whakatoheapresettlement.org.nz, and at our office (122, St John Street, Opotiki). You can also email gina.smith@whakatohea.co.nz to get a copy emailed to you.

Key dates for Hapū Trustee Elections:

Thursday 22 August	Nominations open
Thursday 19 September	Nominations close
Monday 16 September	Hapū registers sent to Independent Chief Returning Officer
Wednesday 25 September	Voting packs posted
Monday 30 September	Voting opens
Tuesday 29 October	Voting closes
Friday 1 November	Results of Elections

If you have any questions relating to the Trustee Elections, please contact Election Services (Returning Office) on 0800 922 822, or email info@electionservices.co.nz.