

ŌWHANGO-NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD Te Poari-ā-Hapori o Ōwhango-National Park

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FROM THE MEETING OF ŌWHANGO-NATIONAL PARK COMMUNITY BOARD
ON TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2023

Item**C1 Community Boards Executive Committee Voting Zone 3 Representative**

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Community Boards Executive Committee Voting Zone 3 Representative	s7(2)(a) To protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural person	s48(1)(a) the public conduct of the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 7

Members resolved the report be released as publicly available information.

Report to: Ōwhango-National Park Community Board

Meeting Date: 14 February 2023



Subject: Community Boards Executive Committee Voting Zone 3 Representative

Report for: Decision

Author(s): Tracy Norris **GOVERNANCE OFFICER**

Endorsed By: Clive Manley **CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Purpose of Report | Te take mō te pūrongo

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the nominations for the Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Community Boards Executive Committee Zone 3 Representative, and to seek the Community Board's vote.

Recommendation(s) | Ngā tūhunga

That the Ōwhango-National Park Community Board:

- 1 Receives the Confidential Report **Community Boards Executive Committee Voting Zone 3 Representative**;
- 2 Votes for **Marcus Buddo / Sarah Lucas** to be the Zone 3 Representative on LGNZ's Community Boards Executive Committee;
- 3 Approves for the Chair of the Ōwhango-National Park Community Board to sign the official voting form on behalf of the Community Board;
- 4 Instructs the Governance Manager to forward the signed official voting form to LGNZ's Returning Officer by 1 March 2023;
- 5 **Does /Does Not** record this resolution in the Public Business Minutes of this meeting; and
- 6 **Does /Does Not** release this report as publicly available information.

Significance and Engagement | Takenga mai

- 2.1 **Significance**
This report does not trigger the Significance and Engagement Policy.

Background | Tuhinga

- 3.1 The Community Boards Executive Committee (CBEC) represents all the community boards in New Zealand.
- 3.2 CBEC is an advisory committee to Local Government New Zealand's (LGNZ) National Council. It advocates for community boards and promotes best practice.
- 3.3 CBEC has one member from each of LGNZ's six geographical zones. Ruapehu District Council is in Zone 3.
- 3.4 Elections for CBEC representatives are held after the local government elections each triennium. Each community board has one vote for its zone representative.

- 3.5 CBEC meets three times a year in Wellington. As well as these meetings, each zone representative run regular zone forums to update community board members and discuss topical issues

Discussion | He Kōrerorero

- 4.1 LGNZ has received two nominations for Zone 3's representative and requires the Community Board to cast its vote by 1 March 2023.
- 4.2 The official voting form is **attached** to this report and includes the biographies of the two candidates.
- 4.3 The candidates are Marcus Buddo, Rural Community Board, Hastings, and Sarah Lucas, Inglewood Community Board.

Next Actions | Ngā mahinga e whai ake nei

- 5.1 The Community Board determines its preferred representative.
- 5.2 The Chair signs the voting form before Governance forward the form to the Returning Officer.

Attachment(s) | Ngā āpitihanga

- 1 Zone 3 CBEC Voting Form



CBEC ZONE 3 REPRESENTATIVE VOTING FORM

Use this form to vote for your zone's Community Board Executive Council representative.

- // Each community board fills in one voting form.
- // You can vote for one candidate.
- // Vote by ticking the box next to their name below.
- // The Returning Office is LGNZ's Chief Executive or nominee.
- // Please returning your voting form to nominations@lgnz.co.nz by 1 March 2023.

[PLEASE SELECT ONE]

Marcus Buddo //
Rural Community
Board, Hastings

Sarah Lucas//
Inglewood
Community Board

[THIS VOTE IS CAST BY:]

YOUR NAME HERE:

YOUR SIGNATURE HERE:

ON BEHALF OF THIS COMMUNITY BOARD:



CBEC CANDIDATE BIOS – ZONE 3

Marcus Buddo

Marcus Buddo believes that Community Boards have a very important role to play in Local Government, one that will only get more critical over time. The intimate ties to communities that Community Board members have is an incredible asset to making considered and appropriate decisions around the Board and Council table.

Elected to the Hastings Rural Community Board in 2019 at age 24, Marcus has since successfully run for the Hastings District Council. He has degrees in Politics, Economics and Health Science, and has managed farming and forestry properties for the last five years.

Marcus' term on the Community Board was invaluable experience. The relationships he formed with Councillors, Board Members and Council Staff have stood him in good stead, while the knowledge of Local Government processes and language has enabled him to hit the ground running in his new role. Community Boards are a brilliant training place for Local Government politicians, and add vital insight and advocacy for communities that may not otherwise have their needs met.

Marcus would like to see Community Boards across the country better recognised and understood, both by the general public and their Councils. With changes coming to how Local Government functions, which services it delivers, and where decisions get made (Future Development Strategies etc.), Community Boards need to be positioned as an essential and effective part of local decision making. We need more competent, respected boards, which have the capability to take on more responsibilities. Marcus will be a strong advocate for the value Community Boards bring, and their role in shaping the future of our communities.

Sarah Lucas

I have a strong interest local government and how it can become more relevant to our communities. I have been keeping up to date into the current review of the future of local government, and see many areas that improvements could be made to bring local democratic processes closer to the people they represent.

Community Boards are unique. They provide real grassroots representation and have an important role to play in the decisions that get made in governance. Community Boards are not simply a left over relic from the 1989 reforms, but a real way for councils to understand and plan for the needs of diverse, localised communities. Each and every board needs to be strongly supported, and respected, so that it can do the important work of representation and advocacy.

We are in a time of huge change and reform, and I would relish the opportunity to use my skills in an advisory capacity to the Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) National Council. I have a strong interest in researching best practice and using rationale clearly back by data and evidence. Thanks for your consideration for this important role.