

Section 9 - ORGANISATIONAL SNAPSHOT

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Introduction

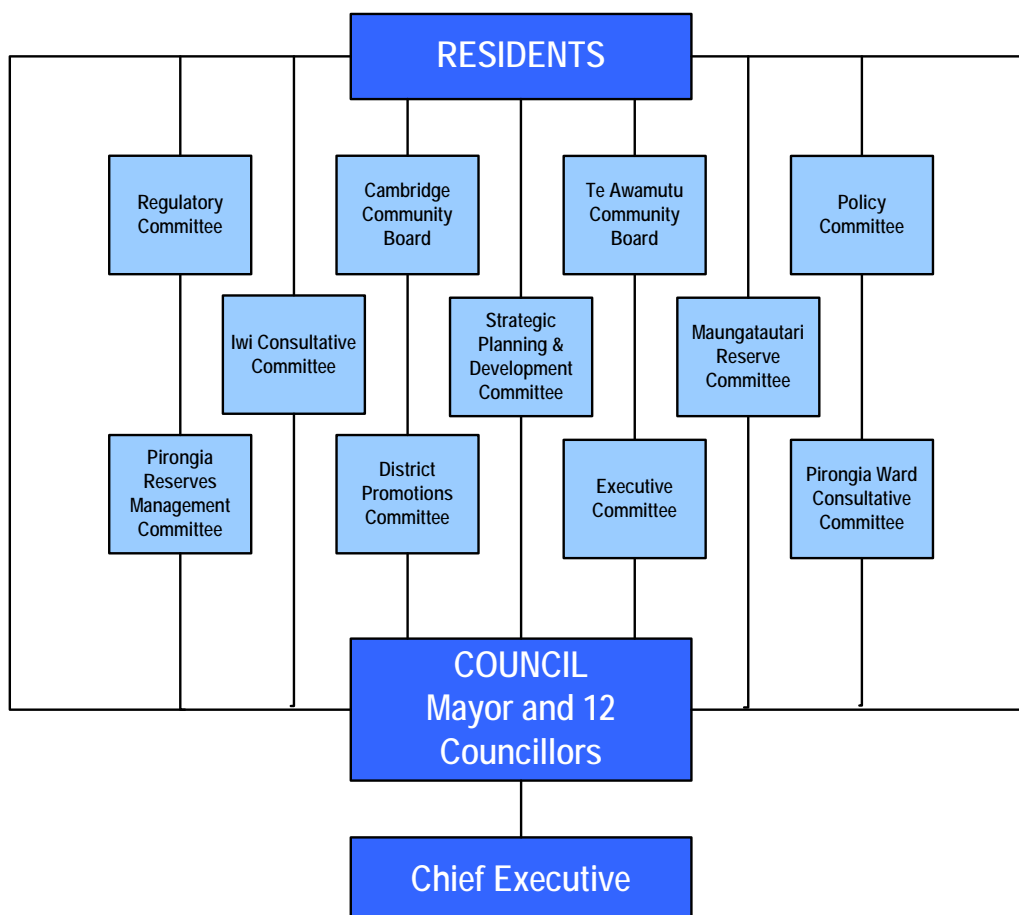
This section provides an overview of the elected members and governance structures within the District. It also provides an overview of the Council management structure. Community input into Council decision-making is vital, and this section shows ways that this can occur. It also outlines how Council supports and promotes Māori involvement in decision-making.

The elected Council members, consisting of the Mayor and 12 Councillors, represent the District's five wards by providing input to Council plans and participating in decision-making on the communities' behalf. They also ensure that Council is working to achieve the aspirations of the District as outlined in the four wellbeing areas (social, cultural, economic and environmental).

The Mayor and Councillors are appointed to various Council committees and subcommittees to consider and recommend policy to Council, and to monitor the implementation of policy and the operation of services relating to the particular function of the committee. Further details of these committees and subcommittees are included later in this section.

Waipa District has two Community Boards, Cambridge and Te Awamutu. The Board members are elected by the communities they represent, with the responsibilities of the Boards being determined by the elected Council members. Further detail on the Community Boards is provided later in this section.

The diagram below shows the relationships and structure described in this Introduction.



Your Councillors



Alan Livingston, JP
Mayor



Cambridge
Peter Lee
Deputy Mayor



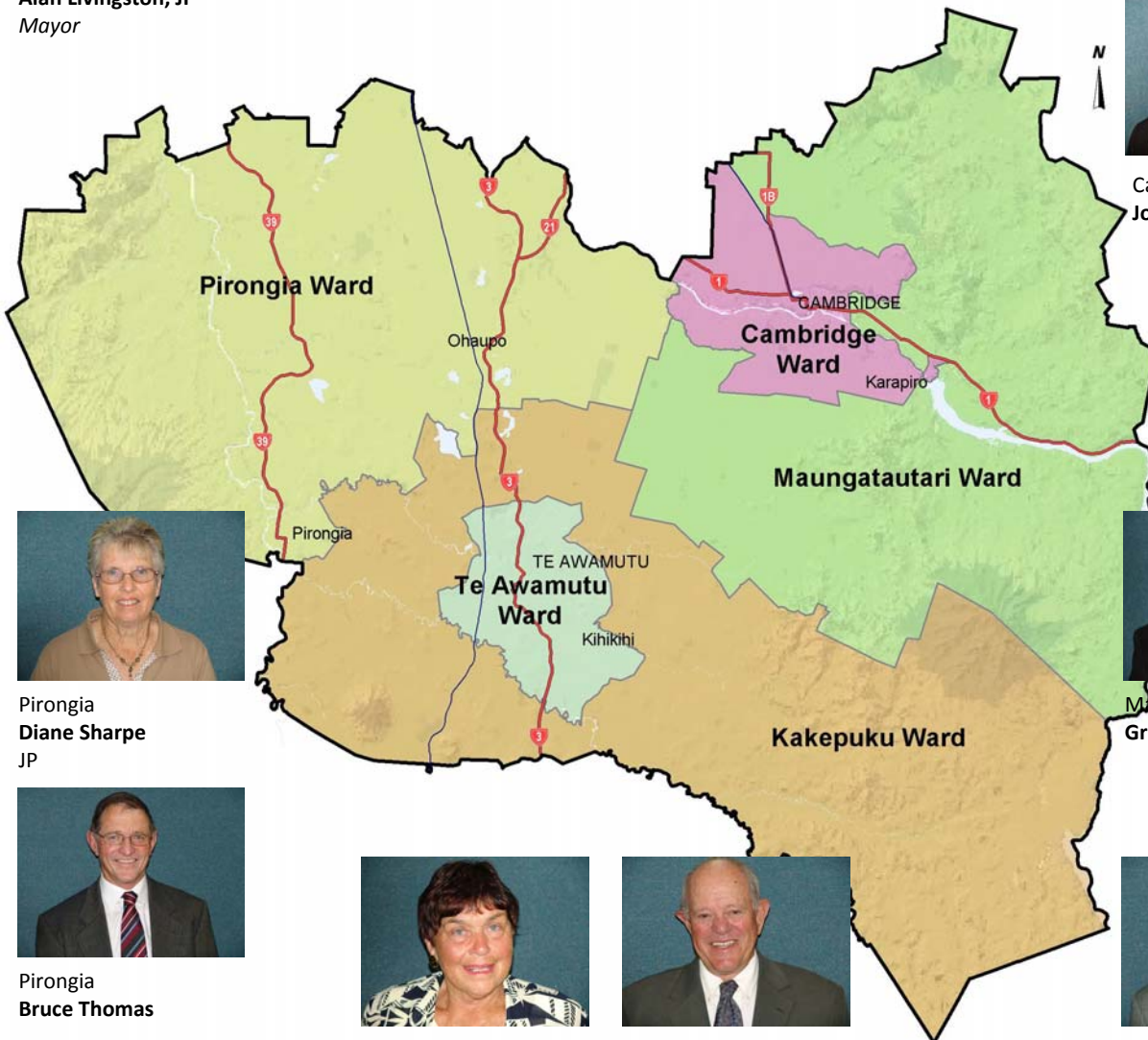
Cambridge
Barbara Taranaki
JP



Cambridge
Errol Newlands



Cambridge
Joe Scaramuzza



Pirongia
Diane Sharpe
JP



Pirongia
Bruce Thomas



Te Awamutu
Hazel Barnes
JP



Te Awamutu
George Simmons



Te Awamutu
Graham Jull
JP



Te Awamutu
Michael Cox
OBE



Maungatautari
Grahame Webber



Kakepuku
Laurie Hoverd

Elected Members

Elected Council is supported by a corporate organisation, led by the Chief Executive and five Group Managers, with the Chief Executive being the only direct employee of the Council. Management and staff are responsible for managing service delivery and implementing Council's decisions and policies. Refer to the Management Structure diagram on page 354.

The elected members and Council staff work together, at different levels, to decide what activities should be undertaken to enable progress towards the achievement of Waipa's Community Outcomes and Council's vision for the District. This work needs to occur in consultation with the community and key stakeholders, while keeping in mind competing priorities, timeframes, resources and decisions of Council.

Council's role is to weigh up the options and ensure ratepayers' money is spent in the most effective way. This means balancing the needs of individuals with the needs of the community, taking into account available resources, while accounting for the implications of all its decisions on future generations.

Opportunities for Community Involvement in Council Decision-Making

Each year Council offers a number of opportunities for the community to participate in its decision-making processes, including formal consultation opportunities such as the 10-year Plan and Annual Plan submission processes. Council also advises Waipa residents of other proposals that are available for public submission through the monthly local newspaper insert “Word on Waipa”, and the Council website www.waipadc.govt.nz.

Elected members, key Council staff, and Community Board members can be contacted throughout the year if people want to discuss issues or have information to contribute.

Council has a formal structure to enable Māori involvement in Council decision-making, and this is outlined on the following page.

Māori Involvement in Decision-Making

Council has developed a policy and structure with Māori to facilitate participation by Māori in local government decision-making processes.

The Council has a governance structure which includes the Iwi Consultative Committee. The Committee consists of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chairpersons of the Regulatory and Policy Committees, and representatives of hapū within the District, the Chairperson of Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa, and one of three Kaumatua representatives.

The Consultative Committee considers all significant matters, particularly in relation to the development of policy, and then makes appropriate recommendations for Council's consideration.

Council has a formal agreement with Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa for the purpose of reviewing all resource consent applications and considering other matters of significance. This arrangement recognises the mandate Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa has in acting on behalf of iwi within the District.

Council Committees

Waipa District Council has nine standing committees; these committees and their membership are outlined in this section.

Executive Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to consider and make decisions on urgent matters that arise between Council meetings or matters referred by Council. It comprises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and chairpersons of the Policy, Strategic Planning and Development, and Regulatory Committees.

Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Chairperson
Cr Peter Lee	Deputy Mayor
Cr Graham Jull	Chairperson Policy Committee
Cr Grahame Webber	Chairperson Strategic Planning and Development Committee
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	Chairperson Regulatory Committee

Policy Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to consider policy and strategy with respect to all Council's functions, duties and responsibilities prior to a recommendation to Council for approval or adoption. It comprises the entire Council and one iwi representative.

Cr Graham Jull	Chairperson
Mayor Alan Livingston JP	
Cr Hazel Barnes JP	
Cr Michael Cox OBE	
Cr Laurie Hoverd	
Cr Peter Lee	
Cr Errol Newlands	
Cr Joe Scaramuzza	
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	
Cr George Simmons	
Cr Barbara Taranaki JP	
Cr Bruce Thomas	
Cr Grahame Webber	
Valerie Ingley	Iwi Representative

Strategic Planning and Development Committee

The role of this Committee is to consider matters of a strategic planning nature relating to growth and development in the District. It includes overseeing the review of the District Plan and Council promoted changes to the District Plan, prior to a recommendation to Council for approval or adoption. It comprises the entire Council and one iwi representative. Members who are Resource Management Act Commissioners are denoted with an asterisk.

Cr Grahame Webber*	Chairperson
Mayor Alan Livingston* JP	
Cr Hazel Barnes JP	
Cr Michael Cox OBE	
Cr Laurie Hoverd*	
Cr Graham Jull*	
Cr Peter Lee*	
Cr Errol Newlands*	
Cr Joe Scaramuzza	
Cr Diane Sharpe* JP	
Cr George Simmons	
Cr Barbara Taranaki* JP	
Cr Bruce Thomas*	
Gaylene Roberts	Iwi Representative

Regulatory Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to conduct hearings and exercise Council's statutory responsibilities for resource management, animal, building and health controls, liquor licensing and any other matter of a regulatory nature. It comprises the Mayor, four Councillors and an iwi representative. Members of the Committee who are Resource Management Act Commissioners are denoted with an asterisk.

Cr Diane Sharpe* JP	Chairperson
Mayor Alan Livingston* JP	
Cr Errol Newlands*	
Cr Barbara Taranaki JP*	
Cr Grahame Webber*	
Gaylene Roberts	Iwi Representative (for resource management hearings)

Pirongia Ward Consultative Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to allocate funds from the Pirongia Ward minor community works budget, to consider and approve applications for community grant funding; to approve projects for reserve development funding, and to consider draft Annual Plans and draft 10-year Plans.

Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Chairperson
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	
Cr Bruce Thomas	

One representative from each of the following Ratepayer/Resident Associations:

John Turnwald	Ohaupo
John Wood	Pirongia
Alan Stretton	Te Pahu

Maungatautari Reserve Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to facilitate communication between Reserve stakeholders, advise Council on reserve management issues, oversee the activities of the Maungatautari Ecological Island Trust, and oversee the preparation of an updated Reserve Management Plan.

It comprises of two Councillors, six tangata whenua representatives, two landowner representatives, and a representative from each of the Department of Conservation, Maungatautari Ecological Island Trust, and the Scientific Community.

Cr Grahame Webber	Chairperson
Cr Laurie Hoverd	Waipa District Councillor
Ted Tauroa	Pohara Marae
Rose Smith	Parawera Marae
Peter Tairi	Maungatautari Marae
Willie Clarke	Ngati Haua
Jim Mylchreest	MEI Trust
<i>to be confirmed</i>	Department of Conservation
Chris Smuts-Kennedy	Scientific Community
Selwyn MacKinder	Landowner
Barry Townend	Landowner

Iwi Consultative Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to facilitate communications between Council and tangata whenua. The Committee will consider any matter impacting on the interests of tangata whenua and advise Council on Treaty of Waitangi implications for policies and activities of Council.

It comprises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chairpersons of the Regulatory and Policy Committees, Council's Chief Executive, the Chairperson of Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa, members appointed through Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa to represent the hapū of the Waipa District, and a Kaumatua representative. Council recently resolved that iwi representatives appointed to the Policy and Regulatory Committees should also be Iwi Consultative Committee members as of right.

Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Chairperson
Cr Peter Lee	Deputy Mayor
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	Regulatory Committee Chairperson
Cr Graham Jull	Policy Committee Chairperson
John Inglis	Chief Executive (notwithstanding clause 31 (4)(b) Schedule 7 LGA 2002)
Charlie Maikuku	Kaumatua
Gaylene Roberts	Chairman, Ngā Iwi Toopu o Waipa
	Parawera Marae
Wiremu Karaka (Clarke)	Ngati Haua
<i>to be confirmed</i>	Purekireki Marae (Pirongia)
Harold Maniapoto	Puniu Marae
Valerie Ingley	Puniu Marae (proxy)
Doris Walters	Te Kopua Marae
Rose Tuineau	Maungatautari Marae
Louise Doyle	Te Kopua and Ngati Ngawaero (proxy)
George Searancke	Ngati Ngawaero

Pirongia Reserves Management Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to oversee the management and development of three Pirongia reserves (Sections 1, 167 and 550) as authorised by the Department of Conservation. The Committee comprises the Mayor, two Pirongia Ward Councillors, two persons nominated by the Pirongia Residents and Ratepayers Association, one person nominated by Purekireki Marae, and one person nominated by Te Kauhanganui o Waikato.

Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Chairperson
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	Pirongia Ward Councillor
Cr Bruce Thomas	Pirongia Ward Councillor
Sabine Owen	Pirongia Representative
Stuart Henderson	Pirongia Representative
Sally Uerata	Purekireki Marae
Haupai Puke	Purekireki Marae

District Promotions Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to consider and approve, in accordance with specific criteria, applications for financial assistance for the promotion and sponsorship of significant events within the Waipa District.

Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Chairperson
Cr Peter Lee	Deputy Mayor
Cr Graham Jull	Policy Committee Chairperson

Future Proof Joint Committee

The purpose of this Committee is to establish a strategy to manage growth in the Waipa and Waikato districts and Hamilton City areas and ensure integration between land use and infrastructure provision.

Doug Arcus	Independent Chairperson
Mayor Alan Livingston JP	Waipa District Council Mayor
Cr Diane Sharpe JP	Waipa District Councillor
Mayor Bob Simcock JP	Hamilton City Mayor
Cr Maria Westphal	Hamilton City Councillor
Cr Allan Sanson	Waikato District Councillor
Cr Clint Baddeley	Waikato District Deputy Mayor
Cr Peter Buckley	Environment Waikato Chairperson
Cr Paula Southgate	Environment Waikato Councillor
Tukoroirangi Morgan	Tainui Waka Alliance
<i>To be confirmed</i>	Nga Karu Atua o te Waka

Community Boards

There are two Community Boards – Cambridge, which serves the Cambridge and Maungatautari Wards, and Te Awamutu which serves the Te Awamutu and Kakepuku Wards. The Community Boards are not Council committees, they are separate statutory authorities established under Part 4 of the Local Government Act 2002. Their purpose is to:

- Represent and act as an advocate for the interests of its community;
- Consider and report on all matters referred to it by the Council or any matter of interest or concern to the Community Board;
- Overview service delivery throughout the community area;
- Prepare an annual submission to Council for expenditure within the community; and
- Perform such functions as are delegated to it by Council.

The Community Boards comprise members elected by the communities they serve and appointments made by Council.

Te Awamutu Community Board

Dean Taylor	Chairperson
Marcus Gower	
Norris Hall	
Richard Hurrell	
Colin Pinkerton	
Cr Hazel Barnes JP	Council Appointed
Cr Laurie Hoverd	Council Appointed

Cambridge Community Board

Rob Feisst	Chairperson
Elwyn Andree-Wiltons	
John Bishop	
Brent Nielson	
Richard Wright	
Cr Barbara Taranaki JP	Council Appointed
Cr Grahame Webber	Council Appointed

The Cambridge Community Board has the following committees:

Sister Cities

The purpose of this Committee is to positively promote friendly exchanges and to encourage mutually beneficial understanding in the fields of economic development, tourism, culture, education, science, technology and sport with our sister cities, Bihoro in Japan and Le Quesnoy in France.

Light Up Cambridge

The purpose of this Committee is to initiate and progress Christmas and/or other lighting projects in Cambridge.

Reserve Landscape

The purpose of this Committee is to plan and organise, with the approval of Council and in conjunction with Council staff, the facilitation of the development and renewal of the Cambridge greenbelt reserve management plan.

ANZAC

The purpose of this Committee is to organise the annual ANZAC Day commemorations.

Management Structure

The Management team structure consists of the Chief Executive, five Group Managers and the respective department managers.

