

Christchurch City Council
Papanui Ward of the Papanui-Innes Community
Board
Electing 2 Members



Merav BENAIA

The People's Choice - Labour

My principal place of residence is in the Papanui Ward of the Papanui-Innes Community Board area.

Never doubt a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has.

I believe the key to being a successful representative is open and ongoing communication - to engage and to listen. I believe diversity in age, gender and ethnicity, involvement and participation are key for a thriving local democracy.

As a business woman, my life experience, common sense, ability to be decisive when needed and compromising where required give me the skills to be this person. I want us to have public transport options, safe walking and cycling routes, thriving community facilities and a healthy environment to leave for future generations.

Papanui is a great place to live in and involvement in my local community allowed me to appreciate the potential Papanui has in becoming even better. I will use this experience to listen, take action and make things happen.