

Innes ward Community Board by-election 2023

Waipapa Papanui-Innes-Central Community Board Information

This by-election is being held on Friday 17 February 2023 to cover the extraordinary vacancy for one member for the Innes ward of the Waipapa Papanui-Innes-Central Community Board.

The extraordinary vacancy has arisen from the resignation of board member elect Shreejana Chhetri.

The by-election will be conducted by postal vote using the First Past the Post voting electoral system, under the provisions of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and Local Electoral Act Regulations 2001.

The Electoral Officer for this by-election is Jo Daly. Jo can be contacted by phone (03) 941 8581 or 027 236 9052 or email elections@ccc.govt.nz. The Electoral Team includes Emma Pachnatz, who can be contacted by phone (03) 941 8755 or email elections@ccc.govt.nz

By-election timetable

Thursday 24 November 2022	Public notice of by-election Nominations open Preliminary electoral roll open for inspection
Thursday 24 November 2022	Election hoardings and temporary local election signage permitted to be put up
Thursday 22 December 2022	Nominations close at noon Preliminary electoral roll closes
As soon as practical after 22 December 2022*	Further notice of election and candidate names*
An election is required	
Thursday 26 January 2023	Delivery of voting documents begins Progressive roll scrutiny Early processing period starts Special voting period starts
Thursday 16 February 2023	Election hoardings and temporary local election signage must be removed by midnight
Friday 17 February 2023	Election day Voting closes at noon Progress results and preliminary votes available as soon as practical
By Wednesday 22 February 2023	Final declaration published
By Friday 21 April 2023	Candidate return of electoral donations and expenses form due

* If only one nomination had been received, an election would not be held. There are seven candidates for this by-election.

Nominations

Nominations for the vacancy open on Thursday 24 November and closed at noon on Thursday 22 December 2022. There are seven candidates for this by-election.

Nomination forms and candidate information were available from: Christchurch City Council Civic Offices, Papanui Library and Service Centre (Customer Services Desk), Shirley Library and Service

Centre (Customer Services Desk), Online at ccc.govt.nz/elections and by contacting the Electoral Team on 03 941 8581 or by emailing elections@ccc.govt.nz

You can find full eligibility criteria for this by-election on the reverse of the nomination form and in the candidate information sheet provided with the nomination form. Candidates do not need to reside within the Innes ward, but must be a New Zealand Citizen, enrolled as a parliamentary elector in New Zealand and be nominated by two electors who are enrolled on the Innes ward electoral roll.

Completed nomination forms for this by-election were required to be lodged before noon on Thursday 22 December. Along with the nomination form, the candidate:

- must pay a \$200 (including GST) nomination deposit
- may submit a candidate profile statement of up to 150 words
- may submit a recent photo to be used for this by-election
- must provide evidence of New Zealand citizenship.

A candidate information sheet for this by-election is available with nomination forms and online at ccc.govt.nz/elections

A full Candidate Information Booklet was produced for the 2022 local body elections. This booklet contains detailed information for candidates, including campaigning requirements and election offences. This information booklet is available online at ccc.govt.nz/elections or on request from the Electoral Team.

Electoral rolls

Those eligible to vote in the by-election are all residential electors and non-residential ratepayer electors in the Innes ward whose names appear on the parliamentary electoral roll when they close on Thursday 22 December 2022.

The preliminary electoral roll is available for public inspection from Thursday 24 November to Thursday 22 December, the final electoral roll is available for public inspection from 26 January 2023 at:

- Christchurch City Council, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street
- Redwood Library, 339 Main North Road
- Papanui Library and Service Centre, 35 Langdons Road, Papanui
- Shirley Library and Service Centre, 36 Marshland Road, Shirley
- Tūranga, 60 Cathedral Square.

A person may still enrol as an elector and vote using a special vote up until Thursday 16 February 2023.

Residential roll

All parliamentary electors are automatically enrolled on the residential roll at the address where they live. Electors may enrol or amend their enrolment details on the residential electoral roll:

- Online at vote.nz
- By texting your name and address to **3676** to get a form sent to you
- By calling **0800 36 76 56** to ask for a form to be sent to you
- By email request to enquiries@elections.govt.nz

Ratepayer roll

If a person is on the parliamentary roll in another area of Christchurch or New Zealand than the Innes ward and owns property in the Innes ward, this person may be eligible to be enrolled on the non-resident ratepayer roll. A firm, company, corporation or society paying rates on a property in the Innes ward may nominate one of its members or officers as a ratepayer elector (providing the nominated person resides outside of the ward).

Ratepayer roll enrolment forms are available on the Council website at ccc.govt.nz/elections or from the Electoral Team.

Voting

The voting period is from Thursday 26 January 2023 until noon on Friday 17 February 2023. Electors can post completed voting documents back to the Electoral Officer using the pre-paid envelope sent with voting papers or deliver them to vote boxes at:

- Christchurch City Council Civic Offices
- Papanui Library and Service Centre
- Redwood Library
- Shirley Library and Service Centre
- Tūranga
- Kohinga St Albans Community Centre, 1049 Colombo Street, opening hours 9am and 1pm Monday to Friday
- Shirley Community Trust MacFarlane Park Neighbourhood Centre, 17 Acheson Avenue, during opening hours.

Electors who do not receive or are not able to use their voting documents can request special voting documents. These can be posted to electors or issued in person, Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm, from:

- Christchurch City Council, Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street
- Papanui Library and Service Centre (Customer Services Desk), 35 Langdons Road, Papanui
- Shirley Library and Service Centre (Customer Services Desk), 36 Marshland Road, Shirley
- By contacting the Electoral Team on 03 941 8999 or elections@ccc.govt.nz to get special voting papers posted.

All completed voting documents must be returned by noon on Friday 17 February 2023.

Preliminary results will be provided as soon as they are available after the close of voting on by-election day and final results are expected to be available by Wednesday 22 February 2023. All results will be accessible at ccc.govt.nz/elections

For further information please contact the Electoral Team on (03) 941 8581 or elections@ccc.govt.nz