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REPORT TO NGĀTI TE WHITI WHENUA TŌPU TRUST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11 DECEMBER 2022

Tēnā koutou Trustees & beneficial owners.

Thank you for your appointment as Returning Officer for the 2023 Trustee Elections. I have summarised below the Trustee nomination and appointment process timeline as outlined in the Trust deed (second schedule):

TRUSTEE ELECTION TIMELINE

Nominations opened on the 11 November to fill the one vacant Trustee position.

The key dates for the election are:

12 January 2023 at 5.00pm Nominations close

20 January 2023 Voting opens - candidate profiles are available

16 March 2023 at 5.00pm Voting closes

07 April 2023 Result of the Trustee election is notified

TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS

To date there have been no trustee nominations received.

Agreeing to be a trustee can be a big decision and responsibility, however it can also be extremely rewarding and your opportunity to contribute and help achieve the aspirations of the trust for future generations. If you are interested in learning more about the commitment involved and what is required to be a good trustee, then you could talk to a current trustee or alternatively I would be more than happy to discuss this with you. There is training and many valuable resources available.

Nominations for Trustee close at 5pm, 12 January 2023 and need to be delivered or emailed to BDO. All information required, including eligibility criteria and nomination forms can be found on the Trust website if you have not received it. Alternatively, you can contact BDO or email the Trust office to request the forms.



TRUSTEE ELECTION VOTING & COMMUNICATIONS

If there is more than one nomination for the trustee position, a voting process will be required. All voting information and forms will be added to the website from 20 January 2023.

In preparation for the trustee voting and for all Trust communications in general, it is recommended that beneficial owners provide their email addresses if not already receiving panui by email. Not only does communicating via email save time but also saves a considerable cost of postage. We do understand that some owners will not have access or want to communicate via email, and in this instance the beneficial owners register will note your communication preference.

If you are not receiving panui via email and would like to, please add your email to the attendance register for the AGM or email the trust office with your details.

The Trustees have also put a lot of work into making the Trust website a useful tool for sharing information. In addition to receiving your communications via email, you can always use the website to get current updates. I would encourage you to visit the website at https://ngatitewhitiwhenuatoputrust.org.nz/ and bookmark this address as a favourite.

Thank you again for providing me the opportunity to work with you and be part of the exciting future ahead.

Nāku, nā

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