Palmerston North Constituency



Amey BELL-BOOTH

Independent

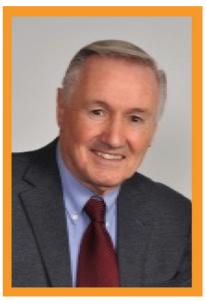
I am excited at the prospect of representing Palmerston North on Horizons. I believe now is the ideal time to bring a fresh perspective that recognises the broadening views and values of this generation. I am an artist, strongly inspired by the landscapes and natural beauty of this region, and passionate about protecting it. But I am also a business manager, and take a pragmatic, analytical approach based on a sound understanding of economic, environmental and social issues. I completed my undergraduate studies in Applied Science at Massey, majoring in Landscape Management, and after years in the workforce, returned to study, completing a Masters of Business Administration (MBA) at Canterbury University. Since then, I have been working in business management, and also exhibiting and undertaking commissions as an artist. I want to bring balanced judgement and fresh thinking, while representing the views of the people of Palmerston North



Rachel KEEDWELL

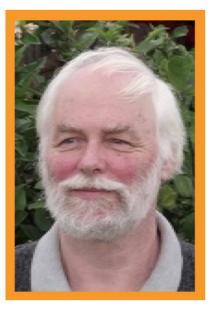
I have been a passionate advocate for people and for a healthy environment in my three years on Council. In my first term I've positively influenced Council debates and actions. My achievements include improved biodiversity protection, better bus services, getting climate change response on the agenda and consistently pushing for sustainability in all Council decision-making. Our economy depends on our natural resources, therefore I continually advocate for wise management to ensure a future-proof region and economy. I run a local business with my husband, I am a scientist with a PhD in ecology and I am a mother. My knowledge, skills and experience bring balance to the Council table and I ask for your vote to continue serving as your councillor. I will ensure that Council looks at the long term for people and the environment, because today's decisions shape the future.

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Pat KELLY

I am passionate about local government and health board services, having been a Palmerston North City councillor (1994 to 2013) and served as elected member on MidCentral Health Board for six years. I am currently elected to Horizons Regional Council where I am prepared to listen and act on behalf of constituents as best I can, answering their questions and having a good understanding of the issues concerning them. I want Horizons Regional Council services to be accountable and transparent in achieving a cleaner Manawatu River, protecting and enhancing environment values, increasing the community's resilience to natural hazards, providing new opportunities for regional economic growth, and maintaining the Capital Connection and a reliable city bus service. I am married with two adult daughters and a retired teacher at Massey University School of Business Studies. I serve as a Justice of the Peace and as a Resource Management Act Commissioner



Ralph PUGMIRE

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My parents came to New Zealand in the early sixties and settled in Marton. I have studied, worked and raised a family here in the Manawatū. We live on a small farm in the Kahuterawa valley on the edge of Palmerston North. I have experience as a scientist, researcher and lecturer at DSIR and Massey University. I have practical experience in farming and forestry and ran a small local software business with an international clientele for fifteen years. I love walking in our hills and cycling on our roads. I am interested in how we manage our natural and physical resources, our transport, flood control and soil conservation, air and water quality, biosecurity and biodiversity. With children and mokopuna living here I have a personal stake in this region's future. I feel I have the background, skills, energy and time to make a worthwhile contribution as a regional councilor.

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Paul RIEGER

I am seeking re-election to the Palmerston North constituency for a further term with a renewal of my commitment to ensure the continued safety of residents from major flooding by the provision of effective stop banks and associated river works; that the standards for drinking water and waste disposal are safe but affordable, and that plant and animal pest strategies in the surrounding region are adequate for the task of protecting the city's economy from the effects of a 'foot and mouth' type disaster. I support the Council's strategy to encourage reversion of areas of marginal farmland as a means of diminishing riverbed accretion and policies designed to reduce water pollution, and to the implementation of equitable rules around water quality and water quantity. I support continuing improvements to the city bus service and will endeavour to capitalise on funding opportunities through Transfund.



Wiremu Kingi TE AWE AWE

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The number one issue facing our community is the quality of our water. I have great childhood memories of swimming and fishing in the Manawatu River and those experiences should be shared with our future generations. If elected, my energy will focus on improving the health of the river by assisting with the implementation of the One Plan and to continue the planting of trees on the banks of the river. As a descendant of Peeti Te Awe Awe, one of the founding fathers of our region, I am passionate to see our community achieve all that it can. My contribution so far to our community has been Advisor to Internal Affairs, Police, Member of the Safety Advisory Board, Restorative Justice Trust, past member of The UCOL Board and a member of the Manawatu Leaders River Accord. Together, let's continue to make our community a wonderful place to live