Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Council (trading as Horizons Regional Council) Ruapehu Constituency Electing 1 Regional Councillor



Richard STEELE

My principal place of residence is in the Ruapehu Constituency area.

I'm standing to continue the strong work done by Bruce Rollinson. I believe Ruapehu residents deserve a strong voice, and with my history of rural advocacy, I can provide that.

My passion for the Ruapehu is also evident in my three books on the Retaruke district and, in conjunction with my son Dan, we bring many people into our area to visit and stay at Blue Duck Lodge and Station.

Married to Rachel, we have three children, Richie, Dan and Anna, who are all actively involved in our property at Retaruke, Whanganui river.

I have held many roles in our community; member of the Whanganui Animal Health committee (17 years); inaugural President for Ruapehu Federated Farmers, and remained a member for many years, becoming President again from 1993 until 1998; member and trustee of the Ruapehu Rural Support Trust since its beginning in 2010, and Chairman from 2017 -2019.