

Election processes overview

A summary from the Second Schedule Elections of Trustees, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Takoto Trust Deed

<p>1 Election timing</p> <p>Elections occur every 3 years.</p> <p>Must be completed before the AGM in the relevant election year.</p>	<p>2 Appointment of Returning Officer</p> <p>Trustees are responsible for appointing a Returning Officer to oversee the election process.</p>	<p>3 Call for Nominations</p> <p>Timing: The call for nominations must occur 3 months before the AGM.</p> <p>Distribution: Sent by post (or email where available) to every member on the register and advertised in the newspaper (twice).</p> <p>Trustees are responsible for issuing the call for nominations and receiving submissions.</p>	<p>4 Submission of Nominations</p> <p>Timeframe: Nominations must be submitted in writing within 21 days following the call for nominations.</p> <p>Consent: Each nominee must provide their written consent to stand for election.</p>
<p>5 Election Notice (if more than one nominee)</p> <p>After Nominations Close: If there is more than one nomination, an election notice is issued.</p> <p>Distribution: Sent by post (or email where available) to every member on the register, advertised in the newspaper (twice), and on a radio station.</p> <p>Contents: The notice must include a voting form, and allow for postal voting or electronic voting.</p>	<p>6 Voting Process</p> <p>Method: Voting is conducted by secret ballot.</p> <p>Eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only members aged 18 or older can vote. • Voters must be existing members or have submitted a registration form before the election (provisional voting). <p>Voting Limitations: Each member can only vote once in one marae election.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A person cannot vote in another marae election for 3 years if they change their affiliated marae. • The Returning Officer ensures that each person only casts one vote. 	<p>7 Certification of Results</p> <p>The Returning Officer must certify the election records.</p> <p>Election results are announced at the AGM.</p>	<p>8 Board Retention and Review</p> <p>Election records must be retained for potential future review.</p> <p>The Deed includes robust provisions for reviewing election records.</p>