



2026 TRUSTEE ELECTION

Call for Nominations

We are seeking nominations for the Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Takoto Board of Trustees

Nominations close **Monday 29 June 2026 - 5pm**

TE RŪNANGA O NGĀITAKOTO

Our post-settlement governance entity

Te Rūnanga o NgāiTakoto is the post-settlement governance entity (PSGE) for the iwi of NgāiTakoto. It was established to receive, hold, manage, and administer the Treaty of Waitangi settlement received under the NgāiTakoto Claims Settlement Act 2015. The Rūnanga holds and grows settlement and acquired assets of NgāiTakoto for the benefit of present and future members of NgāiTakoto. It operates under a restated Trust Deed, adopted in 2025.

2026 FIRST ELECTION

The 2026 election is the First Election under the restated Trust Deed. All Trustees must re-stand for election if they are eligible. Three current members have reached their maximum term and will not be standing. Some incumbents may seek re-election - but this is an open election and we encourage all eligible NgāiTakoto members to consider putting their name forward.

Who we are looking for

The NgāiTakoto Board consists of seven Trustees - four Marae Trustees and three General Trustees.

MARAE TRUSTEES - 4 POSITIONS

- › Waimanoni
- › Wharemaru o Kaimaumu
- › Mahimaru
- › Te Pā a Parore

One representative per marae. Must demonstrate active participation at their marae.

GENERAL TRUSTEES - 3 POSITIONS

Open to any eligible Adult Registered Member of NgāiTakoto regardless of marae. The top three vote-getters across all Adult Registered Members are elected.

The Trust Deed guarantees representation for each of our four marae through the Marae Trustee seats. The three General Trustee seats complement this by being open to all eligible NgāiTakoto members, wherever you call home. Whether you are based in Manukau, Nelson, Tasmania, New York, or anywhere else in the world - these seats exist so that whānau living away from home have a genuine pathway onto the Board.

As a Trustee, your legal role is to govern - not to manage. Day-to-day operations are the responsibility of the Chief Executive and staff. Being on the NgāiTakoto Board is a rewarding commitment, making a real difference for our people and communities.

Time commitment: Trustees attend monthly Board meetings (normally 2-4 hours, with face-to-face and Zoom options) and are expected to commit up to 5 additional hours per month for document review, committee participation, teleconferences, and external meetings or events. Ongoing governance training is also required.

Remuneration: \$250 per month honorarium, plus \$250 per Board meeting attended. Benchmarked independently at least every five years.

3 COULD THIS BE YOU?

The ideal candidate

Prior governance experience is not mandatory - though it is beneficial. What matters most is your commitment to NgāiTakoto, a willingness to learn and grow in the role, and the integrity to serve your people well.

We are looking for NgāiTakoto people who are committed to serving their iwi with integrity, purpose, and aroha. A strong candidate will bring some combination of the following:

Connection to NgāiTakoto

A grounding in NgāiTakototanga - our values, tikanga, whakapapa, and the aspirations of our people. Active participation in your marae and a relationship with our whānau and communities.

POU TIKANGA · POU TANGATA

Sound judgment and integrity

The ability to make considered decisions in the best interests of NgāiTakoto, to hold information in confidence, and to act with honesty and transparency at all times.

POU TIKANGA

Relevant skills and experience

Experience in financial management, commercial enterprise, environmental or resource management, law, health or social services, education, or governance. Community and marae leadership is equally valued.

POU TAHUA · POU TAI AO

Collaborative leadership

The ability to work constructively as part of a team, listen well, contribute to robust debate, and support collective decisions once made.

POU TANGATA

COMMITMENT TO THE ROLE

Trustees attend regular Board meetings and contribute to the work of the Trust between meetings. You should be prepared to commit time, engage with ongoing governance development, and represent NgāiTakoto with mana.

4 HOW TO APPLY

What you need to submit

All nominations must be received by the Chief Returning Officer by Monday 29 June 2026 at 5pm. Late or incomplete nominations cannot be accepted.

- 1 Completed nomination form**

Signed by you and by five Adult Registered Members as nominators. For Marae Trustee nominations, all five nominators must be from your Primary Marae. Your bio must be included within the form.
- 2 Completed Police Vetting form**

All nominees must consent to a police vet. You will need to provide photo ID as part of the vetting process - the form includes details on what is required.
- 3 A head-and-shoulders photo of yourself**

Your photo and bio will be shared with Adult Registered Members during the election process to support an informed vote.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Full eligibility requirements are set out in the Trustee Nomination Guide and Position Description, available to download below. These documents set out all requirements under Schedule 3, clause 1.1 of the Trust Deed.

5 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

After nominations close

Your nomination will be verified and a police check completed. If there is more than one nominee for a position, a vote will be held - by electronic voting (the primary method), with postal voting available for those who have opted in, and in-person voting at the AGM on the day.

If you are the only nominee for a position, you are deemed elected and no vote is required.

AGM DATE AND ELECTION RESULT

The AGM date, time, and venue will be confirmed and notified to members in due course, in accordance with clause 5.1 of the Trust Deed (within 6 months of the 31 March balance date). Election results will be announced at the AGM and confirmed within one week following.

MAKE SURE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS ARE UP TO DATE

To receive voting papers electronically, your current email address must be on the NgāiTakoto Members Register. To opt in for postal voting, your physical address must also be current. Visit our [Contact Us page](#) or email admin@ngaitakotoiwi.co.nz to update your details.

6 NOMINATION PACK

Download the full nomination pack

We recommend reading the Nomination Guide before completing the form.



Trustee Nomination Guide 2026
VIEW ONLINE OR DOWNLOAD PDF



Trustee Nomination Form 2026
DOWNLOAD PDF



Trustee Role Description
DOWNLOAD PDF



Request pack by email
FEEDBACK@NGAITAKOTOIWI.CO.NZ

Questions about the election?

Contact the Rūnanga before nominations close.

Website: ngaitakotoiwi.co.nz/contact-us

Email: feedback@ngaitakotoiwi.co.nz

Phone: 0508 TAKOTO (825 686)

Submit your nomination to

Chief Returning Officer - Erica Amon

Email: erica.amon@navigator.kiwi.nz

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He kōrero whakaaro noa - provided for guidance purposes only. For definitive requirements, refer to the Trust Deed of Te Rūnanga o NgāiTakoto (2025), Schedule 3.