Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward candidates

Inoke Afeaki

Candidate information for Inoke Afeaki, standing for Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent

Principal place of residence:  
Not Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Hurricanes No. 1, Victoria University, B.Sc. in Physiology, Class of 1996 and past Rate Payer- Resident in Paekawakawa - Southern Wards. 27 years in the Sporting Industry developed my skills to shape Policies that enhanced High Performance Athlete Pathways, these strategies were based on Pedagogy - Science of Teaching. My sons are Wellington College students.

Covid decimated the Sports industry, I pivoted into the Building Industry, I understand relationships between Councils' and the Building Industry, Acts and Regulations that safeguards everyone involved. Te Tiriti, Safety, Health, Environment, Roads, 3-waters, the Built Environment, Sporting Facilities and Heritage Buildings are important and entrusting Wellington's specialists' to complete their work is the measure of good governance.

In 2012 my fellow PPWT Trust members Warmer Homes project not only completed but exceeded the targeted 1000 homes, our Trustees took no sitting fee. I am with McKee Fehls Constuctors Ltd. at Kainga Ora's Arlington Social Housing Site.

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Paula Muollo

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Standing for:  
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Affiliation:  
Independent

Principal place of residence:  
Not Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Vote #1 for Experience, Energy and Common- sense.

A good council can disagree, but it must also unite around a compelling, progressive vision for Wellington. We've had enough of party politics that don't serve our city. I'll always put your interests first.

Born locally and raised as part of Island Bay's Italian community, I was taught the values of respect, integrity, honesty, and hard work. I worked in Wellington's events and tourism sectors, before moving into real estate. Now I want to focus my skills and love of Wellington into rejuvenating our city.

We all know that Council hasn't been functioning properly; it needs to get back to basics. Rein in its spending so Wellington is affordable and liveable and local voices are respected and heard - not ignored.

Wellington needs more investment in infrastructure and communities; denser housing without destroying character; better public transport, and revival as the vibrant cultural capital.

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Dipak Bhana

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent.  Together for Wellington

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Kia Ora/Namaste, my name is Dipak Bhana I am standing for Southern councillor, I'd love to be able to work as a team with other elected councillors to ensure as a council we get things done. There are several changes to the city, and I wish to make sure we consult all interested parties and get things moving. I would like to restart Ethnic Advisory council to ensure that migrants and ethnic communities can openly discuss any concerns with the council and that they have a voice that the council can consult. I believe in Transparency, Reliability, accountability, and community service and if elected I hope to bring these qualities to the role. I have lived in Brooklyn for the last 20 years; I'm married with two older kids. I am currently an active volunteer in my community and work full time, I'd love to serve the Southern ward community.

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Iain Alasdair MacLeod

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent - Get Wellington back on course

Principal place of residence:  
Not within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Born and bred in Wellington - I care deeply about the people who call this place home. However, our city has moved down the ranks on the EIU Index of most liveable cities - we were #4 but have tumbled to #50. I'm here to get us back on track.

I want to make Wellington the best city to live and do business in. This means making it quick and easy to get around (including speeding up traffic from Ngauranga to the Airport), focusing on efficient and consistent provision of core Council services, giving people free access to parks and fields and minimising wasteful Council spending.

A ships' Captain by trade, I'm no stranger to hard work. When I'm not on the water I manage our family business, Penthouse Cinema. If you want a hardworking, straight-talking, engaged Councillor who is committed to change, vote for Iain MacLeod.

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Laurie Foon

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Green

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I'm a lifelong Wellingtonian. I've lived with my family in Berhampore for 23 years.

I've created a business, pioneering ethical fashion in Aotearoa. I've worked to improve Wellington businesses' environmental and social impact.

Some Council achievements since 2019: supported closer partnerships with mana whenua; helped more housing builds close to the city; priortised low carbon transport options; championed a waste free Wellington.

I'm committed to Wellington being a world-leading city that has thriving people and nature and is fair for everyone. My priorities: Enhance Wellington's unique reputation as an innovative, creative, diverse capital - nestled in nature. Create a city our young want to inherit, with low carbon transport options, quality affordable homes, meaningful jobs, waste free systems, where it's fair and inclusive of everyone with nature thriving. Work in partnership with mana whenua so Wellington upholds Aotearoa's Te Tiriti promises, ensures everyone thrives and te ao Māori is embraced/celebrated.

Ko Ranginui e tū iho nei, ko Papatūānuku e tākoto ake nei E ngā mana whenua konei āku mihi maioha ki a koutou Ko Laurie Foon ahau, ā ko tēnei te karere - e puāwai ai te mokopuna ka tīakina te taiao.

Ngā Aro -

Whakanuia te mana o Te Whanganui a Tara. Ko tēnei wāhi auaha, ko tēnei wāhi kanorau e noho nei i te taiao.

Tinitia tō tātau punaha whare, tō tātau punaha waka, me ō tātau punaha moumou kia kōkiri tahi tātau ki te wā e heke nei. Whakahōnoretia te Tiriti o Waitangi mā te mahi ngātahi ki mana whenua kia hāpai ai te ao Māori.

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Nureddin Abdurahman

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Labour

Principal place of residence:  
Not Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I am standing for Council because I want to give back to the city that has given me and my family so much.

I arrived in New Zealand fourteen years ago from Ethiopia and worked in low paid jobs to support my young family while I put myself through Victoria University, where I gained a Masters degree in International Relations.

I now run a small business with my wife and am Chair of the African Community Council based in Newtown, where I helped run Covid-19 vaccination drives and founded the AMAN Centre off Riddiford Street.

My priorities are investment in affordable housing, public transport and water infrastructure, as well as real action on climate change.

Community is what really drives me, so I will work to reduce cost barriers so that all children are able to play sport or take swimming lessons.

Vote 1 for Nureddin Abdurahman.

Ka tū au hei kaitono Kaunihera kia whakahoki manaaki ki Pōneke mō tā rātou i a mātou ko taku whānau.

Nō Etiopia ahau. I tae mai au ki kōnei i te tau 2008, ā, i mahi ana au i ngā mahi utu iti, ka ako hoki au kei ki Te Herenga Waka.

He kaipākihi ahau ināianei kei Newtown. He nui āku mahi ki rēira: te mahi kano ārai mate Kowheori-19, te whare AMAN hoki, te Kaunihera Hapori o Awherika hoki.

Ko ngā mea kaupapa nui ki au: ko ngā whare utu pai, ngā waka tūmatanui, ngā wai e toru, ā, tae noa ki te hurihanga āhuarangi.

Ko te hapori te mea nui kei taku ngākau. Ka pukumahi ai ki te whakaheke i ngā wero utu kia wātea ngā tāmariki katoa ki te tākaro hākinakina, ko te ako ki te kaukau hoki.

Pōti 1 mō Nureddin Abdurahman

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Chris Dudfield

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

**Also standing for:**

Mayor

Affiliation:  
Independent - Vision/Skill/Results

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

As a born Wellingtonian, it pains me to watch our city crumbling because of a dysfunctional Council unable to meet our real needs. We need full consultation, fiscal responsibility and attention to the basics. I have the vision, skills and determination needed to restore and future-proof our city.

Essential infrastructure and traffic flow must be prioritised. I'd advocate a moratorium on cycleway construction, remove existing cycleways in Newtown, Island Bay and Brooklyn, push for a 4 lane Mt. Victoria tunnel, fully extend the Arras Tunnel and add another lane to the Terrace Tunnel.

Check my ideas for protecting the southern bays and inner harbour from intensifying weather events, storm surges and rising sea levels at [Dudfield4Mayor.com].

My architectural and supervisory experience means I can tackle Wellington's challenges effectively, on time and within budget. I previously served on the Terawhiti Licensing Trust for 12 years, chairing the Project Operating Committee.

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Jonathan Coppard

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Action on Climate

Principal place of residence:  
Not Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I work two jobs, and each gives me a different view of our ward. My work as a bus driver takes me from the narrow winding streets of Brooklyn to the narrow winding streets of Southgate. As a cycling instructor I travel to schools across Wellington to help young people build the skills and confidence to travel safely on our roads.

Working with young people is what inspires me to take action to make Wellington even better. Over the last few years I've been involved in campaigns advocating for better housing, transport and action on climate change.

As your representative I will work to achieve fast, low-cost changes to improve our city. A city where everyone has a warm, affordable home to live. As an independent candidate I will bring a strong, independent voice to the table.

For action on climate change, transport and housing, vote #1 for Jonathan Coppard.

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Ate Moala

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Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Malō e lelei

I am a mother, and my family are residents of Island Bay. I have served in the health, community, and business sectors for 30 years. I am committed to improving the health and well-being of our families/whanau, and improving the social, economic, and well- being of the poor, those with disability, and the elderly.

I am a public health medicine specialist, business owner, and a Pasifika community leader.

We have some big challenges with infrastructure, transport systems that affect the health and safety of our suburbs. I will be a voice of common sense to ensure Wellington becomes a safer place for families, our diverse communities, and small businesses.

I loathe poor decision-making that violates people's health, rights, and freedom. Vote for me and let us work together to wisely invest our resources to make Wellington a thriving, safe, and healthy city for our children, families and kaumatua.

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Urmila Bhana

Candidate information for Urmila Bhana, standing for Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Paekawakawa/Southern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I was born, schooled & graduated in Wellington from Victoria University & lived in many suburbs in Wellington and work in lively Newtown.

I'm a team sport player with a love of hockey, representing our communities club in the premier league and also for New Zealand Indians. I've been involved in voluntary work within our community fundraisers, ethnic markets and the many working bees along with volunteering for executive positions for many years.

My chosen career is business analysis & retail working here & overseas; this is why I love Newtown it is New Zealands changing welcoming face.

I want Wellingtonians to have a voice & be willing to be heard and listened to. I mean business and I am sure to listen and work positively with the organization for equitable solutions for this great city I love.

Vote Urmila Work with you, work with me a win-win.

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