Takapū/Northern General Ward candidates

Raveen Annamalai

Candidate information for Raveen Annamalai, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent.  Together for Wellington

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

Candidate statement

I am Raveen Annamalai standing as an independent candidate for the Takapū / Northern Ward of Wellington in the upcoming 2022 local elections.

Please Vote 1 for Raveen Annamalai.

I seek the support and vote of the people of the Northern Ward to represent them in Wellington City Council and promise to deal with the difficult topics and make sure the community's needs come first. I stand for a positive and productive council that puts people first.

I have been an active community leader, initiating and developing various community projects by championing causes such as rising cost of living, housing crisis, climate change, health, support for victims of domestic violence, sport and wellbeing, youth development and transport.

I'll be honored if I can be your councilor to bring positive change to the city and its council. I want to continue advocating for the people and the city we love.

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Rachel Qi

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Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

As a community advocate and Churton Park resident, I have proactively participated in and contributed to many of the city's diverse communities through my networks. I am passionate about bringing people together to make a positive difference for our local area and City as a whole.

Through my business, arts and governance experience across public, private, not-for-profit and community groups, I have been privileged to work with the city council on a wide range of events and activities. By working with communities, I understand both local issues and citywide priorities such as infrastructure, safety, housing, environment and transport.

I would now like to put the skills, experience and relationships I have developed towards being your representative on the City Council. I will be a strong and collaborative voice for our local community by working with other representatives to solve the major challenges in Wellington together.

Thanks,

Vote 1, Rachel Qi

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John Peters

Candidate information for John Peters, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Lived in Northern suburb for 22 years. I am married with two adult children and semi-retired after running a successful construction company.

Having worked in the Bank, as Housing Officer and CEO of a Corporation I will bring my management experience to run the Council to achieve more harmonised Council that is focused on reducing rates and prioritising infrastructure spending.

I will bring diversity of thought to the table when focussing on issues like Rates, Public safety, housing affordability and transport.

As an Ex-President of Ratepayers association, I will strive to reduce rates by prudently investing, when making decision that affect Ratepayers.

I get things done, it's what I built my career on.

I am involved with Tawa Union Church, the Rotary and safer Communities.

What I can promise you is a more liveable city, a more transparent and business friendly Council.

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James Sullivan

Candidate information for James Sullivan, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
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Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

To create a Wellington that is safe, affordable, and liveable for the future. We need leadership that is willing to make uncomfortable choices now. My aim is to set a goal and provide the push needed to build a Wellington that embraces density, efficient transport. Creating an environment that encourages community. This will require us to build up and invest in space efficient infrastructure. I will push to create a Wellington that doesn't see the natural environment as something to hide under grass and roads, but as something to leverage as a strength.

Having worked for over a decade building and delivering complex software solutions I believe I can provide the experience needed to guide these changes. A voice that will still be here in 40 years to see the results of these choices. See tfg.nz/wcc2022/why-me for more details on specific topics.

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Ben McNulty

Candidate information for Ben McNulty, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Labour

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I've always loved Wellington. Our natural environment, vibrancy and compact size make it genuinely one of the best places to live in the world.

Wellington is facing some huge challenges and the timing to fix it couldn't be worse. Decades of council underinvestment has left our infrastructure in disrepair and the impact of the 2016 Kaikōura earthquake is still being felt across the city, six years later.

If elected I'll be a fierce advocate for the Takapū ward and I will fight to ensure we receive our fair share of investment from Wellington City Council. This is my home and I'll push for more housing, better infrastructure, and reliable and accessible public transport.

I've spent over a decade working in financial services. I currently work for a major KiwiSaver fund, run a small photography business and live in Johnsonville.

Learn more about me and why I'm running at benmcnulty.nz.

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# Tony Randle

Candidate information for Tony Randle, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Independent - no party affiliation

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Wellington's northern suburbs need stronger representation, especially in this time of change. The council must do a better job of listening to our needs and I want to make that happen.

I have lived in Johnsonville for almost 30 years. I am the current president of the Johnsonville Residents' Association and a public transport advocate. I have experience in taking action in these roles, including local roading upgrades and ensuring we avoided the worst of the bus debacle.

Rate increases are projected to be 34% over the coming three years. I will advocate for evidence-based, transparent use of your rates to make Wellington a better place to live. We need vibrant suburban centres with thriving businesses and reliable transport links.

I'll ask the hard questions and advocate for common-sense decisions, so Council's focus is on service and investment: fixing infrastructure, better transport, and good community facilities. Please rank me #1.

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# Jenny Condie

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Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Futureproof Wellington

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

We all want to make the future better for our kids. COVID is changing the way we live and the climate won't wait for a more convenient time.

We must rise to these challenges with creative and practical ways to redesign our city and our neighbourhoods. Good infrastructure is the foundation for thriving communities, from pipes to parks. We need to look after what we've got and make responsible, climate-friendly investments that support growth.

Money is tight. My skills in accounting and governance are needed in Council more than ever. I asked the questions about depreciation that revealed Council was not spending enough to replace aging pipes. I then co-wrote the Mayoral Taskforce report that led to large funding increases for water infrastructure. I will continue to find cost savings, carefully track major projects, and focus spending where it is most needed.

Vote 1 Condie - Independent, Pragmatic, Experienced. [www.condie4council.nz](http://www.condie4council.nz)

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Robyn Parkinson

Candidate information for Robyn Parkinson, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

Affiliation:  
Green

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

Tēna koutou katoa.

I work for a strong sustainable community.

A Tawa resident since 1990, I have worked in the public and private sectors, am involved in equity

investing, and have raised four children. I have degrees in law, philosophy, and a postgraduate diploma in information studies. I have coordinated the Tawa Community Garden since its startup in 2015 and volunteer for a range of other groups.

In 2016 I joined the Tawa Community Board and became its Chair in 2019. As Chair I worked to create stronger relationships across local government, business, and other organisations. This helped Tawa receive the region's first trial of on-demand public transport and raised the Board's ability to lead on local issues and projects at Council level.

Leadership based on respectful, collaborative relationships and strategic, sustainable thinking, brings positive results for residents.

Vote for me for experienced positive leadership at the Council table.

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James Sales

Candidate information for James Sales, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

**Also standing for:**

Tawa Community Board

Affiliation:  
Real Issues For Real People

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I harbour growing concern about our fire safety as a city. Every day, I hear about fewer firefighters and more broken fire trucks. As councillor, I will advocate for the fire service, making this a council issue, and promote awareness of the issues facing our fire crews in order to produce real solutions. Too often have I heard stories about the effects of mismanagement, decisions which are seemingly made without concern for the well-being of the fire crews. This is reflective of an every-day failure of good business and governance.

We must fulfil the needs of the city without creating more problems where there were none before. I am concerned about the social issues facing youth; as councillor I will be vocal on social issues for youth, such as the effects of social isolation the last two years. I am for people-friendly climate change initiatives.

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John Apanowicz

Candidate information for John Apanowicz, standing for Takapū/Northern General Ward.

Standing for:  
Takapū/Northern General Ward

**Also standing for:**

Makara-Ohariu Community Board

Affiliation:  
A voice for Wellington

Principal place of residence:  
Within the Takapū/Northern General Ward area

## Candidate statement

I'm a Wellingtonian, born and educated here, and I'm proud to call the northern suburbs my home.

Our community needs a local champion with a strong voice. Someone that sits in the same grid-locked traffic as you and your family, that catches the same buses - when they turn up, that isn't afraid to fight hard for the services and funding our local community deserves. I'll fight hard for you.

A graduate of Victoria University with a degree in economics, commerce and administration, I work locally running a successful consultancy firm specialising in finance and corporate governance. I'm also a Chartered Accountant, a Chartered Member of the Institute of Directors, and current Chair of the Makara-Ohariu Community Board.

We desperately need competent and experienced people on our Council, and I need your vote to ensure our community has a strong voice at the table. Learn more about me at: www.katapo.co.nz

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