

COMMON RESPONSES

Proposed changes for Turangi

Suggestions from submissions	Responses
Support proposals for Turangi	Accept 1, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
Against proposals or requesting alternatives	
Retain two councillors for Turangi-Tongariro	<p>Decline 1, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p>
Local representatives should be elected, not appointed.	<p>Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review.</p> <p>However, it is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates.</p>
Disagree with replacing the community board with a co-governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua	<p>Decline 1, the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is divided into the Turangi town subdivision and the Tongariro subdivision. Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua are developing a Mana Whakahono partnership agreement. Following the signing of the agreement, a co-governance committee will be established to enable decision-making in partnership between Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua. The co-governance committee will be making decisions in respect of the Turangi township and its immediate surrounds, hence the proposal to disestablish the community board. In addition to the co-governance committee, a representative group committee is proposed to ensure representation for the remainder of the ward known generally as the Tongariro subdivision.</p>
Ensure new committees retain control of Turangi—Tongariro Community Grant funds and oversight over the distribution for local projects.	<p>Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review.</p> <p>Council sets the overall amount for community grant funding throughout the Taupō district through its Long-term Plan process. While the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is the current distributor of funds for the Turangi-Tongariro ward, it is a convention and Council's expectation that local committees and representative groups throughout the district will continue to have oversight over the distribution of grants for local projects and this will include the Turangi-Tongariro ward.</p>
Disagree with additional committees	<p>Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review.</p>

Proposal to keep the Mangakino-Pouakani Ward

Suggestions from submissions	Responses
Support for keeping the Mangakino-Pouakani Ward	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
Against proposal or requesting alternatives	Decline 2, a Mangakino–Pouakani Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community.

Proposal to keep the Taupō East Rural Ward

Suggestions from submissions	Responses
Support for keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward	Accept 3, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
Against proposal or requesting alternatives	Decline 3, the Taupō East Rural Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community.

Proposal for a district-wide Māori Ward - Te Papamārearea, with two councillors

Suggestions from submissions	Responses
Support for proposal	Accept 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
Against proposal or requesting alternatives	
No race based wards	Decline 4, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.
Concerns about the geographical balance of a single Māori ward	Decline 4, the decision to include a single Māori ward for the district was recommended by Council's iwi partners and members of the Māori Representation Working Party established in February 2021. It was considered that one Māori ward would result in better representation for areas such as Turangi, with a high proportion of the Māori electoral population, as those on the Māori Electoral Roll will be able to vote for two Māori ward councillors. It would also result in a more even distribution of workloads for the two Māori ward councillors than if they were elected via two wards; and the ward for the whole district was considered to be fairer overall.
The Māori ward is underrepresented with only 2 councillors	Decline 4, the number of Maori ward councillors is determined in accordance with the formula provided in legislation, and with the population figures supplied to council by Statistics NZ and the Local Government Commission for this purpose. That provides two Māori ward councillors.

Wards and boundaries, number of councillors, and other comments

Suggestions from submissions	Responses
Support for proposals	Accept 5 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
Against proposal or requesting alternatives	
There should be one district-wide ward (no individual wards)	Decline 5 – 7, Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power.

COMPLETE LIST OF SUBMISSIONS AND RESPONSES

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice? Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change? Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town? Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach? Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community? Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community? Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us? 	
1	Simon Smith	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors Yes Yes 	Accept 4 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
2	Jennifer Molloy-Hargreaves	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I think it should change We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors Yes Yes 	<p>Decline 2, a Mangakino–Pouakani Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community.</p> <p>Accept 3 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
3	Warrick Simmonds	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Turangitukua to have more control of expenditure around the Turangi district I want to keep it We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors Yes Yes The Turangi Sports Hub Complex may finally get built 	Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
4	Kelly Te Heuheu	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I firmly believe the disestablishment of the Turangi — Tongariro Community Board and instead having two Council committees to represent the Turangi, and wider Tongariro areas will achieve this, as well as achieve our goal to work more closely with our Treaty settlement partners Ngāti Tūrangitukua. I want to keep it We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors Yes Yes No 	Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
5	Kent Stuart Chalmers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Turangi has been the long forgotten money cow of Taupo district council. Both Turangi and the Motuoapa Village receive little support from TDC. Although the region with its trout fishing plus the Tongariro crossing plus winter ski bookings brings significant revenue into the Taupo District. Removal of the Turangi — Tongariro Board and the reduction to one elected councillor clearly shows the attitude that the TDC HAS FOR THE SOUTHERN LAKE RATEPAYERS. IT IS A DISGRACE. 	<p>Decline 1, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p>
6	Tony Hay	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Have one council with representatives from actual areas of the district irrespective of race I want to keep it We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward I'd like to suggest a different approach Have no wards based on race, just ratepayers No, I'd like to suggest a different approach No wards or seats based on race No, I'd like to suggest a different approach as above Decision to have race based wards should be reviewed and question put to all ratepayers for a vote re race based representation 	<p>Decline 1, 4 – 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p> <p>Accept 2 – 3, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
7	Tracey Lee Hooton	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> I want to keep it We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors Yes Yes 	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities..

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8	Max Jeffries	<p>1 I would like to Maintain the number of councillors we have to represent Turangi, as we are already disadvantaged by the amount of council rate revenue that is spent in our area compared to Taupo.</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p>	<p>Decline 1, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p>
9	Clint Green	<p>1 I 100% support this move. On the face it might seem that we are reducing democracy, in reality we will be strengthening our local voice. The idea of two committees is definitely a good one. It certainly will facilitate better co—management in our region and better representation of all. Just look at the unnecessary expenses involved in 3 by—elections. The committee will modernise, strengthen and enhance local representation.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Currently two councillors have been very effective in working together to promote issues and needs of the Southern Lake Taupo Area and I would worry about just one councillor representing the area.</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 I'd like to retain two councillors for the Southern Lake Taupo area.</p>	<p>Accept 1, 2, 4, 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 3, the Taupō East Rural Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community.</p> <p>Decline 6, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district</p>
10	Frederik FRANK	<p>1 I can see no valid reason to establish a Maori Ward. It's about time that we went down the road of making New Zealand one nation and one people. Why do we need to bow down to any separate ethnicity, It would open the doors to any and all other nationalities to demand their own wards and governmental bodies. When you live in New Zealand, you are / become a New Zealander and as such assimilate as a Kiwi. I strongly disagree to enlarging or expanding any council and spending tax payers dollars on foibles with sound needs.</p> <p>2 I think it should change</p> <p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 I am not an advocate of separate Pakeha and Maori wards</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 Bring all the wards under one umbrella</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 As above, the expansion of council beyond what we already have, is in my opinion farcical</p>	<p>Decline 1 – 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p> <p>The number of councillors (1 extra) is a product of this decision. Reducing the number of councillors and removing the proposed area wards would not ensure adequate representation for these significant communities.</p>
11	Milla Viner	<p>7 I do not agree with having a seperate Maori Ward. In my opinion it is undemocratic and should be repealed . We should live in one country and there should be no separation in electing our representatives. This is political apartheid.</p>	<p>Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p>
12	Maggie Stewart	<p>1 I agree that the 2 committees you are suggesting will give Turangi and the surrounding areas good representation at council</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	<p>Accept 1– 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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13	Bronwyn Gillies	1 i do not want our council to create maori wards at all.it us just another layer of costs yo be loaded on to the rate payers and also the moari cant just stand i. Line for votes with all other new zealanders , if yhe dont perform well then they wont get in just the samethis is a rediculous move 2 I want to keep it 3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 no to maori wards 5 Yes 6 Yes 7 dont want maori wards at all	Decline 1, 4, 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation. Decline 3, the Taupō East Rural Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community. Accept 2, 5 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
14	Anne Elliott-James	2 I want to keep it 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
15	Ray Stone	1 Suggested approach would seem well worth a try. 2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes 7 In a perfect world, ensuring Maori representation would be unnecessary.In our present far—from—perfect world a specified all encompassing Maori Ward with two elected councilors is a good, hopefully, short term solution.	Accept 1 –7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
16	Derek Eades	4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 If the law had not been changed to allow councillors to create a Maori ward without a referendum it is highly likely the ward would have not have proceeded. For this reason the number of councillors representing the ward should be the minimum of one at the next election. At that election the electorate should be asked to approve any additional Maori ward seats. This action would show respect for the voting public and guide the council on any expansion based to voters preferences.	Decline 4, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation. The number of Maori ward councillors is determined in accordance with the formula provided in legislation, and with the population figures supplied to council by Statistics NZ and the Local Government Commission for this purpose. That provides two Māori ward councillors.
17	Danna Glendining	4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 The Maori Ward is under represented with only two Councillors. It should have three. 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 The general wards are over represented compared with the Maori Ward. 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 There should be three Maori Councillors. Otherwise Maori are under represented compared with people in the general Wards.	Decline 4 – 6, the number of Maori ward councillors is determined in accordance with the formula provided in legislation, and with the population figures supplied to council by Statistics NZ and the Local Government Commission for this purpose. That provides two Māori ward councillors.
18	Warwick Bringans	1 i PROPOSE THAT THERE BE ONE WARD FOR THE TOTAL DISTRICT POPULATION OF 32,420 PEOPLE. THAT IS TEN COUNCILLORS TO REPRESENT THE TOTAL AREA.THIS WOULD MEAN THAT THE BEST CANDIDATES ARE AVAILABLE FOR SELECTION NO MATTER WHERE THEY RESIDE IN THE DISTRICT. 2 I think it should change 2 REFER TO THE MAIN SUBMISSION. A SEPARATE WARD IS NOT NEEDED AS THE AREA IS INCLUDED WITHIN THE TAUPO DISTRICT. 3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 HAVING ALL AREAS INCLUDED WITHIN THE TAUPO DISTRICT, WITH TEN COUNCILLORS TO REPRESENT THE TOTAL POPULATION. ALL ETHNIC GROUPS WITHIN THE DISTRICT ARE FULLY AND FAIRLY REPRESENTED. 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 THE TAUPO DISTRICT SHOULD BE ALL INCLUSIVE WITHOUT AREA SPLITS. THE TEN COUNCILLORS WILL THEN REPRESENT THE TOTAL DISTRICT. 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 THERE IS NO NEED FOR MORE COUNCILLORS THAN THE LAW REQUIRES. TEN COUNCILLORS REPRESENTING THE TOTAL DISTRICT IS SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE CURRENT POPULATION. 7 TEN COUNCILLORS REPRESENTING THE TOTAL TAUPO DISTRICT GIVES CLEAR ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE COUNCIL'S ACTIONS.	Decline 1 – 7, Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.

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19	Christine Holland	2 I want to keep it 7 I think that just because Mangakino and Districts has a small population does not make it any less a part of the region. In fact, many of the people living in the area already feel that here in Mangakino we are the bottom of the food chain so to remove our representation altogether would only perpetuate that view.	Accept 2 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
20	Marie George	2 I want to keep it 7 Mangakino feels isolated enough without you taking away the one voice we do have on council. It's not as if any other council members do anything for our community.	Accept 2 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
21	Helen Schlegel	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
22	Jason Wright	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
23	Murray Holland	2 I want to keep it 7 Mangakino is a totally different type of area than Taupo and already gets ignored so it's important not to lose the representation we have.	Accept 2 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
24	Danielle Karauna	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 2 maori wards , then the leaders will be able to be more specific to their wards needs . 5 Yes 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 i think their should be 2 per ward , 7 We need to keep the mangakino ward , you need someone from here to let you know what mangakino needs, they will not have a gull grasp on mangakino unless they are from here or lived here and we need it to be someone from here who we can talk to because they understands out needs.	Decline 4, 6, the decision to include a single Māori ward for the district was recommended by Council's iwi partners and members of the Māori Representation Working Party established in February 2021. It was considered that one Māori ward would result in better representation for areas such as Turangi, with a high proportion of the Māori electoral population, as those on the Māori Electoral Roll will be able to vote for two Māori ward councillors. It would also result in a more even distribution of workloads for the two Māori ward councillors than if they were elected via two wards; and the ward for the whole district was considered to be fairer overall. Accept 2, 3, 5, 7 support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
25	Accacia Le Comte	2 I want to keep it	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
26	Janet Mckay	2 I want to keep it	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
27	Andrew Savage	1 N/A 2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes 7 Please keep the maori wards going to ensure that our voices are heard thank you	Accept 2 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
28	Myra Williams	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors	Accept 2 – 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
29	Margaret Fraser	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 I believe Mangakino should keep its representation on the Taupo District Council. The rural community and its environs has different needs to those of Taupo. To ensure that the concerns are heard the sat needs to remain. Would a councillor based in Taupo really understand the dynamics of Mangakino and its environs or the concerns of the community. Please think very carefully before disbanding this seat on the Council	Accept 2 – 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities. Note – the proposal was to retain the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward and councillor.

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30	Megan Baker	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
31	Julie Gill	2 I want to keep it	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
32	Sean Murphy	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
33	Mary Sherborne	<p>1 I object to Turangi losing one of its Councillors because of the establishment of an unelected Maori ward with 2 representatives.2 Committees? Surely one well run Committee would be quite sufficient. I see no reason a all for Ngati Turangitukua too have so much influence. re" They kindly let everyone use the Public Recreational Reserves!!" You have conveniently forgotten that the Ratepayers pay for all the upkeep.Surely a Community Representative Group, not stacked with Maori, including our 2 existing Councillors would do a very good job and make good decisions on all local matters.</p>	Decline 1, the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is divided into the Turangi town subdivision and the Tongariro subdivision. Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua are developing a Mana Whakahono partnership agreement. Following the signing of the agreement, a co-governance committee will be established to enable decision-making in partnership between Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua. The co-governance committee will be making decisions in respect of the Turangi township and its immediate surrounds, hence the proposal to disestablish the community board. In addition to the co-governance committee, a representative group committee is proposed to ensure representation for the remainder of the ward known generally as the Tongariro subdivision.
34	Jo-Anne Robertson	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
35	Tracy Johnson	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2 and 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
36	Elizabeth Anglesey	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>5 Yes</p>	Accept 2 and 5 support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
37	Mereana Hepi	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
38	Charlene Campbell for Mangakino Health Services	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>7 Mangakino has a growing population and must have representation from our community. Mangakino Health Services has an enrolled population of 1860 patients and due to being at capacity we now have closed our 'books' and have a waiting list of LOCAL people that have moved into Mangakino of 120. I have been in talks with our Primary Health Organization for support, TDC Councilor Kirsty Trueman and Lakes DHB to find solutions to support our Rural Practice with increasing farming community and people moving into Mangakino. 75% of our enrolled population have a Mangakino Address. The rest are Tokoroa, Taupo, Atiamari and others scattered around the country. What is the minimum numbers our community needs to hold an official seat — not just a gesture seat? Thanks. Charlene Campbell Practice Manager Mangakino Health Services.</p>	Accept 2 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
39	Arianna Pahuru	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2, 3 and 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
40	Barbara Gilmore	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 Please keep the Mangakino representative at the decision making table. This little town is developing nicely, becoming an asset to the area. To stay included we need that voice. Many thanks</p>	Accept 2 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice? Do you want to keep the Mangakino—Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change? Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town? Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach? Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community? Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community? Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us? 	
41	Kaylene Russell	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>7 The Mangakino—Pouakani Ward should definitely continue to be represented on the council. It deserves to be...end of.It covers a large area and the residents have needed and appreciated the representation we have had thus far. We are a valuable population to the rohe regardless of what the 'stats' may say. And we deserve to have our say in what happens to our ward like every other community in the Taupo district. I do hope that Mangakino—Pouakani continues to be represented and have it's own voice in Council matters and will continue to have a say in what happens to us. Thanks very much for your time and consideration.</p>	Accept 2 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
42	Duncan McKenzie	<p>1 1. Retain the current TPDC quota of two members.2. The two Maori Ward Seats be created, but not at the expense of the wider representation.3. This should ensure a greater voice in decision making in the Turangi and Tongariro Ward.4. The submitter does not believe the current TPDC have been able to fully represent this wards needs. The One District Concept has in fact undermined the representation in this Ward.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 The Tongariro Ward is a vast Geographical area. It is important to ensure the people living in these rural areas, and lake shore settlements are properly represented. Honest consultation and recognition of land owners aspirations are put into effect.</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 Retain the same number as present, with the two new Maori Ward Seats. How can a reduction in Councilors be seen as better representation.</p>	<p>Decline 1, 5, 6, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p> <p>Accept 2 – 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
43	Clive Cork	<p>7 To save rate payer time and money just give the whole governance of the region to the Maori system and sit back and relax.Everything will be looked after and we can enjoy life.</p>	Decline 7, Disestablishment of Taupō District Council is not within the scope of the review.
44	Margaret Cowper	<p>2 I want to keep it</p>	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
45	Queenie Martin	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p>	Accept 2 –5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
46	Matt Mortimer	<p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p>	Decline 3, the Taupō East Rural Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community.
47	Patrick Hart	<p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 the rural areas needs a say. We pay a large amount of rates between us all and before there was a rural councilor not many townie councilors actually did anything for us or understand our issues and problems. We need this person / position to remain. community boards are useful but i think more local meetings with mayor and other councilors would helpful. number of councillors ideally we want quality weather this is the current number I dont really know.</p>	<p>Accept 3 –7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Other comments are out of scope but have been shared with Councillors as part of this submission.</p>
48	Karoline Spiessl	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p>	Accept 2 – 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
49	Liana Williams	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.

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50	Sherryl Worthington	<p>1. How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice?</p> <p>2. Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change?</p> <p>3. Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town?</p> <p>4. Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach?</p> <p>5. Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community?</p> <p>6. Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community?</p> <p>7. Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?</p> <p>1 One Councillor and Disestablishment of the Turangi— Tongariro Community Board.As stated at the bottom of Page 7. The main difference between the Community Board and the new bodies is that they will be committees of Council meaning that their members are appointed by Council ,rather than elected (voted in by the public).Question ?. Where is democracy at play in that. To me it seems more like autocracyat play.I also have concerns around the ability of 1 Councillor representing Turangi / Tongariro Ward being able to manage their work load. Even the addition of a second Turangi based Councillor representing the Maori Ward may not ease the burden.Question ?.Where and how, might the practise of succession planning play a roll.There is surely an awful lot to know and the wellbeing of an entire community can rest on these elected and presumably non remunerated individuals, having a strong knowledge and advocacy skill set.Co Governances as outlined on Page 7. Given that the Mana Whakahono Partenership agreement between Ngata Turangitukua and Council isstill under development this does give rise as to what might be at stake. Question ?. What opportunity will there be for debate before these Issues become embedded in Policy.</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Taupo East Rural Ward: An absolute yes to rural representation. Rural folk are best versed in advocating for their particular needs.</p> <p>5 General: On Page 9 of the formal Review Publication it states that : those on the Maori Electoral Roll will have two preferred votes i.e. one for their preferred Maori Ward candidate and one for the Mayor. Question ? . Does the same criteria apply to the general vote in all other wards.</p> <p>7 District Wide Maori Ward:
 In principle I personally support the proposal. An example being that I strongly endorse the aspiration, that the development of infrastructure (e.g the proposed Turangi Community Centre} should significantly reflect the cultural, environmental, historical and social makeup of 'our place'.
 However, I have concerns around two issues as follows.
 Water. The governments Three Waters Policy has yet to be implemented and it is difficult to know how this might impact Councils current jurisdiction and responsibilities.&nbsp; It is to be hoped that whatever future governance policies are put in place that Free Access to this most important resource remain for all.

 Land Use. The future expansion of Turangi both economically and in terms of population&nbsp; growth&nbsp; will&nbsp; be&nbsp; dependent&nbsp; on&nbsp; land availability.&nbsp; Already&nbsp; the&nbsp; town is approaching capacity&nbsp; with minimal vacant&nbsp; land for&nbsp; housing&nbsp; development, within the town confines. (Notwithstanding the ability to subdivide to 301 sqm which I do not agree with.)&nbsp; Just as importantly is the unaddressed conversation about what the Town could/ should provide&nbsp; in the&nbsp; way of&nbsp; employment&nbsp; opportunity.&nbsp; The current commercial /industrial zoning seems to be a mash up of unused small lots and the dated shopping mall. Given that Turangi sits in the central area of the&nbsp; North Island, and on SH! Surely there needs to be some inspirational thinking and discussion around 'What If'.&nbsp; Examples might be a National Distribution Centre, a construction base for portable homes , a training hub for heavy machinery use, the underutilised resource that is the Tokaanu thermal activity. My conclusion being that until conversations are started across the community that good ideas will not be shared.
 Question ?. Once the Community Board is abolished who exactly will lead the wider Community debate about future opportunities to provide work and well being for all local residents.</p>	<p>Decline 1, 7 Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review.</p> <p>However, it is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates.</p> <p>The number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p> <p>The Mana Whakahono between Ngāti Tūrangitukua and Council is a separate process to the representation review and not subject to public consultation. Once initiated, Councils must work with iwi and hapū partners to discuss, agree and record how they will work together. Ngāti Tūrangitukua is the mana whenua (the iwi that holds authority) of the Tūrangitukua rohe (area) which includes the Turangi township and its surrounds. The hapū owns most reserves within the rohe. For more information, please visit Council's website: https://www.taupodc.govt.nz/council/meetings/zmana-whakahono-between-ngti-trangitukua-and-taup-district-council</p> <p>Debate on economic and well-being improvements for Turangi town and indeed the Turangi-Tongariro ward would continue to be a 'team effort' between the co-governance committee, the representative group, the Turangi-Tongariro ward councillor and indeed all Taupō District Council elected members, including the Mayor.</p> <p>Accept 3 – 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Additional response to point 5. Under the Local Electoral Act 2001, section 5A refers, "voters may cast as many votes as there are positions to be filled". This applies to all wards. So if there are two seats in the ward, voters have two votes. If there is a single seat, they have one vote. In the Taupō ward, with seven seats, voters have seven votes. Plus everyone has one vote for the mayor.</p>

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51	Paul Henson	<p>1. How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice?</p> <p>2. Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change?</p> <p>3. Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town?</p> <p>4. Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach?</p> <p>5. Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community?</p> <p>6. Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community?</p> <p>7. Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?</p> <p>1 Agree with 2 committees as long as they represent the local community.A district wide ward so that those in the T—T area can vote for ALL candidates, not just those in their ward.A T—T Representation Group to hear local views.</p> <p>2 I think it should change</p> <p>2 A district wide ward so that those in the M—P area can vote for ALL candidates, not just those in their ward.A M—P Representation Group to hear local views.</p> <p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 A district wide ward so that those on the Maori electoral roll can vote for ALL candidates, not just those in their ward.Council DOES NOT HAVE TO FOLLOW the governments over—ruling of democracy in not mandating polls to decide if we have Maori wards or not — democracy is a fundamental right in society — this is being taken away, by council, from ALL of us.</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 DISENFRANCHISING VOTING SYSTEM PROPOSAL:Creating separate wards sounds like a good idea for representative democracy BUT they disenfranchise the voters in those wards by only allowing them to vote for the candidate in their ward but not the other 10 or 11 candidates standing for council.E.g. if I was in the East Rural ward, I could only vote for ONE future councillor, and NOT the 11 other councillors who will be spending my rates.In other words, they (E—R voters) have the voting power (their say on community—wide decisions) reduced by 90% or so.Conversely, if I am in the Taupo ward (7 councillors), then there are 5 councillor positions I cannot vote for. To divide the district into 5 separate wards, dramatically reduces the democratic right of voters to have their say.The basic premise of democracy is 'One Person, One Vote'. Voting is the prime method of ratepayers having their say.To divide the community into separate wards, and therefore allowing only one vote for one councillor (rather than choosing 12 councillors) is counter—productive to democracy. "All elected councillors are required to act on behalf of everyone in the district". So, I suggest that ALL voters should be able to vote for ALL candidates.In my opinion, a better idea would be to continue with, or expand, the Representative Groups, to have their voices heard. This works well with the Kinloch group and could be applied district wide. One Taupo ward, 10 councillors, 10 votes per voter, 10 Representative Groups.</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 See above for disenfranchising voters and the basic principles of democracy.One Taupo ward, 10 councillors, 10 votes per voter, 10 Representative Groups.</p> <p>7 [I would have presented this submission but will be away]. COMMENTS:Effective representation — by Representation Groups (one for each of the current wards? / 3,000 to 4,000 voters?). Simpler, more democratic.Number of councillors — current number is enough. The best person for the job, not a reduction by up to 90% of voting power.Geographic areas — one district for all voters.Maori ward — this is apartheid and has no place in our multi—cultural society. It also disenfranchises Maori by not allowing them to vote for the other 10 candidates (same disadvantage as the other separate wards).Community boards — or Representation Groups, as long as council listen to the community. Candidate qualifications — I'd like to see a minimum standard with requirements for essential decision—making processes, e.g. financial acuity, risk management, strategic analysis skills, independence (non—'group think') training, accountability, responsibility, communication. Council is a \$60m business — it requires well qualified people to make serious decisions.</p>	<p>Decline 1 –7, Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p> <p>Council has traditionally supported having council committees for important communities to review and provide advice on proposals that affect the area, and make decisions on local matters. However, the feedback from the community, and view of the council is that these are not a substitute for having a genuine seat at the table and voting rights on council decisions.</p> <p>The required criteria for candidates are set in national legislation, not by local government. Essentially, it is up to the community to vote for people it considers are suitably qualified.</p>
52	Michelle Phillips for Ngati Tahu-Ngati Whaoa Runanga Trust - Environmental Resource Consents Officer	<p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>7 The Ngati Tahu—Ngati Whaoa Runanga Trust (the Runanga) would like to thank the Taupo District Council for the opportunity to submit on the Representation Review 2021.As previously stated in an earlier submission, the Runanga supports the establishment of Maori Wards as this is a positive step forward in the promotion of a Maori voice at the local government decision—making table.Crucial to the Runanga's support for the introduction of Maori Wards is that this opportunity should be inclusive of the current representation model for Taupo East Rural whereby a councillor is still elected by voters on the General role within the ward and voters on the Maori role are able to vote for the Maori Ward seats. We respectfully request that the Local Government Commission take into account that removing the Taupo East Rural seat due to a decrease in the number of eligible voters would detrimentally affect the rural community within our rohe as they would no longer have a representative who is focused on their concerns which may likely be unique to living rurally. This commonality of interest is the same reason that was given for the establishment of the seat in the last representation review in 2018—2019 and the establishment of Maori Wards does not diminish these interests but rather enhances them as Maori living in rural areas within the motu, especially those near their Marae, have other unique concerns that up until now, have only been able to be articulated through council committee representation.The Runanga also look forward to working with the Taupo District Council in strengthening Maori partnership and participation in local government decision—making through other co—governance methods currently being considered.</p>	<p>Accept 3 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

<p>53</p>	<p>Heather; Genevieve Macdonald, Shieff</p>	<p>5 We are ratepayers living in Tūrangi who have contributed as volunteers over twenty years to a variety of efforts driven locally and by Taupō and Waikato District Councils, to protect and preserve the Tongariro River and its surrounds, to bring more visitors to the Tūrangi area and to revitalise Tūrangi township.</p> <p>In contributing to the Taupō District Council's (TDC's) representation review, we do not have any comment to make about the proposed wards, except to note that we support the concept of anyone on the Māori electoral roll having two votes for their preferred candidates for the new Māori ward. We agree with the view expressed in the Taupo District Council's consultation document that a single Māori ward with two councillors is preferable to having two. We support Taupo District Council's honouring of Mana Whakahono a Rohe provisions through a single district wide Te Papamāreare.</p> <p>We wish to respond to TDC's request for feedback on the sections of the consultation document that relate specifically to representation for Tūrangi—Tongariro.</p> <p>We submit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We want to see Te Papamāreara as the waka for Mana Whakahono, district wide. 2. We want the Tūrangi—Tongariro Community Board (TTCB) disestablished. 3. We see no value at all in any co—governance committee or representative group to replace the TTCB. 4. We do not want any TDC Councillor to represent our community. 5. We expect all TDC Councillors to be open and responsive to the interests and concerns of the district as a whole, including being open to receiving submissions from any community group at any time. <p>Our reasons for these five submission points are set out below.</p> <p>We have referred to the TDC consultation document on the representation review, specifically the section on the proposed co—governance committee and representative group:</p> <p>Ngāti Tūrangitukua is the mana whenua (the iwi that holds authority) of the Tūrangitukua rohe (area) which includes the Tūrangi township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. Historically, Ngāti Tūrangitukua land was acquired for the purposes of constructing the Tūrangi township. This was not agreed to by Ngāti Tūrangitukua and was held to be a breach of the Treaty of Waitangi by the Waitangi Tribunal. The Ngāti Tūrangitukua Settlement Act 1999 saw the return of some of this land and as a result of Ngāti Tūrangitukua's generosity, a vast majority of their land including public recreational reserves located in Tūrangi remain accessible for the wider community and visitors alike to enjoy. To support the partnership aspirations of both Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua, we are currently developing a Mana Whakahono partnership agreement which will cover a range of matters including opportunities for Ngāti Tūrangitukua to make certain decisions either jointly with Council or alone as landowners over what happens within their rohe. The Mana Whakahono will also see the establishment of a co—governance committee responsible for the implementation of the Mana Whakahono which will effectively fulfil the role that the current community board does within the Tūrangitukua rohe. As a result, we are proposing to replace the community board with two Council Committees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A co—governance committee for Tūrangi township and its immediate surrounds, which will involve a partnership with Ngāti Tūrangitukua and therefore ensure their active involvement in making decisions on Council—related functions within its rohe. The co—governance committee will be established once the agreement has been signed. • Once the Community Board is disestablished in October 2022, a representative group for the remainder of the Tūrangi—Tongariro Ward (known as the Tongariro part of the Ward) is planned to be established to cover the wider Tongariro ward. <p>— Extract from TDC's consultation document, page 7</p> <p>5 1. The Mana Whakahono partnership agreement with TDC should cover the whole of Taupō district, as the sole governance arrangement with Iwi in the district.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. There is no need for a further co—governance committee. b. Local Iwi and hapu are strong enough and ready to come to TDC's table as partners, without the need for further support from a co—governance committee for Tūrangi. c. Ngāti Tūwharetoa and Ngāti Tūrangitukua already have a strong united front resulting from the work done by the Te Kotahitanga o Trust, a forum for all Ngāti Tūwharetoa hapū to “come together as equals, to discuss our common goals, and to support each other to reach final settlement. Te Kotahitanga is the mandated post—settlement representative of Ngāti Tūwharetoa”. https://www.tekotahitangaotuwaharetoa.co.nz/nga—hapu/ d. Te Kotahitanga includes 26 Ngāti Tuwharetoa hapū. Each hapū appoints a trustee and an alternate to represent their hapū concerns. e. According to the tekotahitangaotuwaharetoa website, “In establishing Te Kotahitanga o Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Ngāti Tūwharetoa seek to restore the relationships between whanau, hapū and iwi and recognize the importance of hapū— based decision—making”. <p>1 We support the disestablishment of the TTCB, but we do not see the proposed co—governance committee and representative group “(fulfilling) the role that the current community board does within the Tūrangitukua rohe.”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The proposed co—governance committee would have a different focus from the TTCB, given co—governance committee's mandate to implement Mana 	<p>Accept 5, in part - Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review.</p> <p>For clarification, The Mana Whakahono ā Rohe was initiated by Iwi (Ngāti Tūrangitukua). Mana Whakahono ā Rohe is a tool that tangata whenua via their iwi entities and local authorities can use to discuss and agree on how they will work together under the Resource Management Act, in a way best suiting their local circumstances. The Mana Whakahono provisions are likely to be carried forward into new legislation as part of the RMA reform. Ngāti Tūrangitukua, an Iwi authority for their rohe formally initiated negotiations with Council in 2019. Part of the agreement will include the establishment of a co-governance committee to oversee the implementation of the Mana Whakahono. The rohe of the co-governance committee will be similar to the existing Turangi subdivision currently managed by TTCB and will include members from Ngāti Tūrangitukua, Council and local community members to provide fair representation for this area. This agreement is not able to cover the entire district as it only relates to the Ngāti Tūrangitukua rohe, however other Iwi authorities within the district are able to initiate Mana Whakahono ā Rohe agreements with Council to deal with matters within their respective rohe.</p> <p>Council is supportive of the submission to disestablish the TTCB, where the submission suggests that no new committees replace TTCB and that there should be no Councillor for the Turangi Tongariro ward is rejected. The governance arrangement for Turangi is important and we believe that all councillors whether they are from Mangakino or Taupō will continue to represent the interests of the entire district and not just the ward for which they are elected. It is equally important that the Turangi-Tongariro ward has specific representation, the Councillor will have a better understanding of those particular matters important to the Turangi community, including the operational requirements needed and how these should be delivered. The two new committees proposed, we believe will deliver greater representation for the Turangi-Tongariro Ward. The Mana Whakahono agreement between Ngāti Tūrangitukua and Council acknowledges Ngāti Tūrangitukua's status as Mana whenua, major landowners and their significant contributions to the Turangi community. Majority of the reserves located in Turangi are owned by Ngāti Tūrangitukua including a significant area of the town centre and land where majority the town's community facilities and major infrastructure are located. Council needs to be able to work effectively and efficiently in-partnership with Ngāti Tūrangitukua as landowners and mana whenua to be able to deliver the projects and services that the Turangi community needs. The only way to do this is to work together to deliver the needed solutions. The representative group for the remaining Tongariro area will support those smaller communities and diverse rural environments having an alternative avenue to Council, similar to those for Mangakino and Kinloch.</p> <p>Accept submission in support of two councillors for the Te Papamārearea ward which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities</p>
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	<p>Whakahono a Rohe (MWR), which TTCB did not have.</p> <p>b. Nothing should replace the community board, a group which had a few significant achievements over the past two decades, but despite those, has been largely ineffectual, for a range of reasons.</p> <p>5 MWR will make district governance matters more complex from now, but the proposed co—governance committee would only serve to make matters even more complex, as Iwi rights become integral to district—wide decision—making.</p> <p>Specifically:</p> <p>a. The development of a shared understanding of MWR looks set to not only delay, but also block community supported initiatives in Tūrangi.</p> <p>i. Even without MWR provisions, particularly since 2012, Iwi have effectively captured TDC decision—makers in order to stop several TDC—supported, even TDC sponsored, initiatives for Tūrangi and its surrounds in their tracks. These initiatives had strong community support in Tūrangi.</p> <p>ii. No reasonable basis was provided by Iwi for stopping these initiatives.</p> <p>b. Complex landownership issues appear to remain, despite the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Waitangi Tribunal claim settlement being final: https://www.beehive.govt.nz/speech/ngati—turangitukua—claims—settlement—bill—second—reading—0; https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1999/0118/1.0/DLM44474.html The debatable overlapping of the Ngāti Tūrangitukua rohe with the land of the wider community, appears to give Ngāti Tūrangitukua rights that that they will likely exercise to their own advantage at the expense, financial and other, of the wider community.</p> <p>5 Ngāti Tūrangitukua issues, landownership and other, should be channelled through their two ward councillors, a process which is eventually likely to be democratic and fair.</p> <p>5 The TDC consultation document makes it clear that Ngāti Tūrangitukua’s interests:</p> <p>a. Would be respected and protected by the new Māori ward, under the high—level partnership agreement with TDC, as set out in the TDC consultation document quoted above, specifically: “a Mana Whakahono partnership agreement which will cover a range of matters including opportunities for Ngāti Tūrangitukua to make certain decisions either jointly with Council or alone as landowners over what happens within their rohe.”</p> <p>b. Are, unfortunately, being prioritised over the interests of the wider community, particularly when it comes to decisions over “what happens in their rohe” being made by “Ngāti Tūrangitukua ...alone as landowners”.</p> <p>1 The next part of this submission focuses on TDC’s request for feedback on ways of ensuring Tūrangi—Tongariro has a local voice in decision—making.</p> <p>Ngāti Tūrangitukua as Treaty settlement partners will be empowered to make decisions in partnership with Council in relation to their rohe, and the representative group model which has worked well for other areas will ensure representation for people living in the Tongariro part of the Ward. We want to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro areas have a strong voice at Council, and influence over local decisions on Council services. We also want to ensure that you have a number of people you can contact if you have an issue or need some help with Council’s services. We think the disestablishment of the Turangi– Tongariro Community Board and instead having two Council committees to represent the Turangi, and wider Tongariro areas will achieve this, as well as achieve our goal to work more closely with our Treaty settlement partners Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>— Extract from TDC’s consultation document, page 8</p> <p>We further submit:</p> <p>2. TDC is already honouring their Treaty partnership obligations to Ngāti Tūrangitukua with their high—level co—governance arrangement a single district wide Te Papamāreare that has MWR front and centre. Therefore, any other co—governance committee to represent Iwi interests at local level would</p> <p>a. be a waste of time and resource</p> <p>b. skew representation to privilege Iwi</p> <p>c. undermine the democratic process.</p> <p>3. Our preference is to see a more democratic solution that includes:</p> <p>a. A single Māori ward with two councillors for the district.</p> <p>b. Strong lines of two—way communication on issues as they arise directly between TDC councillors and staff on the one hand and the wider Tūrangi—Tongariro community on the other.</p> <p>c. TDC councillors and staff calling upon individuals or convening community groups for specific tasks, as needs arise.</p> <p>d. Community meetings for specific purposes, such as the well—attended meeting in Tūrangi in February 2019, convened by a small group and resulting in the long sought and much needed activity centre being put into the Long Term Plan 2022—2032. There was no TTCB involvement, nor any other TDC appointed group, and an excellent result.</p> <p>In conclusion:</p> <p>The proposed co—governance committee and the representative group will do nothing to alleviate the problems identified above. We strongly oppose their establishment for the following reasons:</p> <p>A. Their structure, roles and relative status are not clear, as submitted above.</p> <p>B. They would put in an unnecessary layer of management.</p> <p>C. They are not likely to be an effective way to bring the community as a whole into local government.</p> <p>D. The proposed co—governance committee and representative group would</p> <p>i. cause confusion, delay and poor decision—making, becoming a threat to the democratic process</p> <p>ii. be unwieldy and divisive rather than inclusive</p> <p>iii. be a waste of time and resource.</p>	
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54	Richard Hoadley	<p>1 How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice?</p> <p>2 Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change?</p> <p>3 Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town?</p> <p>4 Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach?</p> <p>5 Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community?</p> <p>6 Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community?</p> <p>7 Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?</p> <p>1 Why does Turangi—Tongariro need a special (separatist) voice?What decision making can the local people not make and submit to Council, as all others can do?12 Councillors will be expected and able to promote what is best for the Turangi people. If not they will not be doing their job.These questions have nothing to do with the review for representation, as advertised by TDC .</p> <p>2 I think it should change</p> <p>2 Councillors must be elected to represent all people in the Taupo District. Separate wards are now not required. This ward must be included in one Taupo ward so that the ward will then have 10 Councillors to work with. Not just one. The same applies to the Taupo East Rural ward. It also can be included in the one district ward with 10 Councillors</p> <p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 Having accepted that one boundary can work for the new Maori ward, it can also work for all others who do not vote in the maori ward.ONE boundary for Taupo.With 10 Councillors who work for all of the community, not just the voters in seperate areas of the community</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 Please refer to my attached submission/supporting document.</p>	<p>Decline 1 –7, only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review.</p> <p>Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p>
55	Stephen Sanderson	<p>1 I do feel that Council Staff and Councilors should meet informally with the communities to look at issues arising in the community I feel this would save a lot of cost and help with future planning. get everyone working in the same direction.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 I am happy to support the proposed committee structure for the southern lake communities. I believe these changes will give communities such as Whareroa a stronger voice with council, However, should it not go ahead and the board disestablished for any reason that the current 2 council representatives be retained plus the new Maori member. There may not be the population to support this I feel its necessary for this to happen because of the size and spread of the smaller communities involved.</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
56	judy james	<p>1 I believe the councillors we have can more than adequately service all areas. In contrast to other towns we are a small area, keep it as it is.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 unfortunately the government has taken this out of ratepayers hands....it has over ruled the democracy of New Zealands right to choose. I would trust a new government would over turn the situation. An insult to maori to even suggest they need a 'leg up' to get onto council, they are more than capable to be voted in.</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 I disagree ..they will make no change to where I live.</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 of course not...4 of them are un voted for.</p> <p>7 the amount of councillors we have is adequate</p>	<p>Decline 1, 4 – 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p> <p>Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p> <p>Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
57	Te Awhitu Te whaiti -Kingi	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	<p>Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
58	Tuia Pedersen	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 Mangakino now has mostly holiday homes, and farmers that move around regularly. Those long term residents that still reside here? Which is less than before, are still passionate about our town and love the fact that our Ward, helps us have our say with TDC. We want that to continue.</p>	<p>Accept 2 and 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Note – the proposal was to retain the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward and councillor.</p>
59	Karl Addy	<p>2 I want to keep it</p>	<p>Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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60	kellyanne fisher	1. How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice? 2. Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change? 3. Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town? 4. Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach? 5. Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community? 6. Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community? 7. Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?	Accept 2 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
61	Shayne Hodge	1 dont agree in unelected ngati turangitukua co governance democracy is one vote per ratepayer thats how you get true reoesentation council should be slow and cautious to adopt a system which gives preference on governance based on anything other than democratically elected officersyou have not articulated why the current community board system is not working for rate payers 2 I want to keep it 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 no to unelected maori wards this is anti democratic 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 i do not want unelected councillors appointed to any form of council governance democracy is not something you should tinker with 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 yes to 10 elected councillors no to unelected councillors	Decline 1, 4–6,only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review. However, it is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates. The decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation. Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
62	Steven Taylor	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes 7 i feel that ots important to keep a Mangakino Pouakani representative on the he council as we are an isolated area and only a local representative can makes decisions that are vital for us in our town	Accept 2 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
63	Vicki Singer	1 i think it fine the way it is 2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes 7 no	Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
64	Paul O'GRADY	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes 7 I believe it's essential, to keep pokani Mangakino recognised by positions on council representation. As our community is issolsted geographically, we are treated without the respect we pay for the same services yet are limited through geography. To volunteers needing to save our lives and well beo g. Offering to maintain representation is totally necessary.	Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
65	Marilyn Maclver	7 Maori wards have been forced on local councils by the Labour Minister for Local Government, Nanaia Mahuta although as a political party it did not publicise this as its policy during their election campaigning. I believe this procedure to be against New Zealand's democratic process of candidates needing to offer themselves for election by popular vote. Whether your council decides to split its one Maori Ward into two Wards is immaterial to me as I believe the concept to be flawed.	Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.
66	Jan Heath	2 I want to keep it 5 Yes 6 Yes	Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.

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67	Michelle McMeekin	1 How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice? 2 Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change? 3 Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town? 4 Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach? 5 Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community? 6 Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community? 7 Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?	Accept 1 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
68	Debbiemaree Miki	2 I want to keep it	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
69	Jill Alcock	2 I think it should change 7 I am not sure how these biased, race—based wards will affect Taupo yet, only time will tell. They should reflect the demographics of the population. They should be fairly elected. We are top—heavy in beaurucrats adding cost to the tax payer. I believe that the Maoris do not pay rates on some of the land on the stretch going to Acacia Bay. They should pay their fair share. Not happy at all.	Decline 2, a Mangakino–Pouakani Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community. Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.
70	John Andrews	5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 people stand and put their name forward and represent the people and the people then vote for the person whom they think will represent their ideas a visions for their community 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 The people need to stand and represent the community not just have a seperatic approach in this supposed Democratic society in New Zealand 7 In a democracy voting is the only proper way to get the public to elect their representatives one cannot just point to people and have them represent a minority thats why theres voting by the people for the people otherwise its undemocratic and creates a seperate system which then devides the population New Zealand is supposidly a DEMOCRACY	Decline 5 –7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.
71	Walnetta McCall	7 That a Maori Ward was established in the District without first gaining the mandate of the people is a travesty! A decision to put the matter to the District at the next Local Body Elections should be part of your district review!	Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.
72	Hazel Cairns-Willemsen	2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 I think the Maori Ward should have 4 councillors that represent each rohe within the region. North, South, East and Western Taupo. 5 Yes 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 As above	Accept 2 – 3 and 5 support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities. Decline 4 and 6, the number of Maori ward councillors is determined in accordance with the formula provided in legislation, and with the population figures supplied to council by Statistics NZ and the Local Government Commission for this purpose. That provides two Māori ward councillors. The decision to include a single Māori ward for the district was recommended by Council's iwi partners and members of the Māori Representation Working Party established in February 2021. It was considered that one Māori ward would result in better representation for areas such as Turangi, with a high proportion of the Māori electoral population, as those on the Māori Electoral Roll will be able to vote for two Māori ward councillors. It would also result in a more even distribution of workloads for the two Māori ward councillors than if they were elected via two wards; and the ward for the whole district was considered to be fairer overall.

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73	murray meek	1 We can have a local voice by listening to all ratepayers in the community and community groups 2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 I don't think two councillors are necessary for the maori ward due to the extra cost at no real benefit and therefore to keep rates under control only one maori councillor is required 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 Taupo ward has seven councillors. i would like to suggest that one of these becomes a normal councillor that works together with the one maori councillor in the te papa mare ward 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 Taupo ward has seven councillors. i would like to suggest that one of these becomes a normal councillor that works together with the one maori councillor in the te papa mare ward	1 is noted. Accept 2 –3, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities. Decline 4 – 6, the number of Maori ward councillors is determined in accordance with the formula provided in legislation, and with the population figures supplied to council by Statistics NZ and the Local Government Commission for this purpose. That provides two Māori ward councillors. The seven councillors for Taupo ward are also in line with the 10% requirement (at 8%).
174	Lyndsay Benefield	7 DISESTABLISH THE TURANGY COMMUNITY BOARD AND REPLACE WITH TWO COUNCIL COMMITTEES	Accept 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
75	Lorraine Chave	1 Disestablish the Turangi ward and incorporate into the taupo districtDo not proceed with the racist maori ward 2 I think it should change 2 Taupo district should be one area without wards so electors can vote for those councillors they support — not just one or two councillors 3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 If there are two maori wards then they should cover the entire district and not be geographically allocated 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 Do away with the wards so electors can vote for the entire councillors — not just one or two. 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 Reduce the number of councillors & mayor to a maximum of 9 7 1. The decision to proceed with maori wards is racist and the decision by the TDC not to proceed with a referendum is a loss of the democratic process.2. Wards should be disestablished and Taupo should be come one complete area as there is not enough diversity to justify separate wards	Decline 1 – 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation. Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.
76	HEATHER DOCKERY	1 no comment 2 I want to keep it 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 I would like to see a district—wide Maori Ward with at least 3 or, preferably, 4 representatives. This region needs the strongest possible Maori voice in order to exclude a tokenistic approach to representation in Taupo. 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 as above. Need to strengthen Maori input. 3 or 4 at least for Maori Ward 7 The name of the Maori Ward should be determined by Tangata whenua. The establishment of the Maori Ward is a courageous and enlightened decision which needs real support.(I am an older pakeha female very concerned to see real change here.)	Accept 2, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities. Decline 4 – 7, the number of Maori ward councillors is determined in accordance with the formula provided in legislation, and with the population figures supplied to council by Statistics NZ and the Local Government Commission for this purpose. That provides two Māori ward councillors. Note – the name Te Papamārearea was proposed by Ngāti Tūrangitukua and recommended to Council by an Iwi leaders consultation group.

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77	Diana Marbeck	<p>1 I agree with disbanding the Community Board as it has largely been ineffectual and often has attracted people without the necessary skills. I applaud trying something new, however, I'm concerned at the imbalance in the proposed Committee between Ngati Turangitukua and the rest of the community. Ngati Turangitukua apparently do not have a good track record of response when asked, so, unless there is an equal number of 'others' on the Committee, there is a chance little will be achieved. I respect the land ownership issue and the dissent around the original establishment of the town, however, for us to move forward we need to collaborate equally as a community in a democratic way. Maori issues surely should now be dealt with by the elected Councillors within the Maori Ward? At community level we should be free to be just that, a community within a great little town which with the right management, could develop into something that would bring wealth to the town and the region.</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 Given that the proposed format is a template for two terms, that is a long time if it doesn't work. Turangi has a buzz going at present and our two Councillors have been a large part of that, especially John Mack. I would like to suggest Turangi retains its TWO Councillors for the duration of these two election cycles, and for the population to be looked at as a whole to support that. Our large holiday influx each year around fishing, skiing and tourism cannot be ignored and should also be taken into account in support. I feel two Councillors will be essential to us should the Committee idea not fire. As a town we cannot afford 6 years in a state of flux should that happen. I'm not confident the introduction of a District wide Maori Ward and the voice from within it, will adequately replace the voice of the one general Councillor it is proposed we lose.</p>	<p>Accept 1, note that the new co-governance committee will be made up of an equal number of members to represent Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the Council, including Turangi locals appointed by Council, so there will not be an imbalance.</p> <p>Accept 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 6, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation.</p> <p>Note: Council must carry out a representation review at least every six years, but may choose to carry out a review after three years. In deciding, the guidance recommends considering if there have been any significant changes in population in some areas which impact on fair representation.</p>
78	John Louisson	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 As the decision on whether to have a "Maori" ward has been made by government, no further discussion is required here. However, for this new Ward, will the new Councillors be "Maori" in ethnicity, or will it be an open election where every candidate has an opportunity to become a councillor. As this region has not had any councillors before, two new and inexperienced councillors will need to be elected. How much administrative cost will this new ward require: Will it need: Additional managers. Support administration staff. A building for the staff. Administrative equipment e.g. computers, printers, photocopiers, scanners etc. If the above administrative staff are required, will they be required to be "Maori"?</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 Refer to below.</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 I think the Taupo ward is overstaffed with 7 councillors. The number of councillors should not be based upon population within the region, but on the nature and work required for that region. I think 4 councillors should be required, provided their portfolios are well described. Their areas of responsibility could be: Taupo town and CBD maintenance & reticulation services. Taupo town and CBD commercial and tourism services. Kinlock and associated bays. Wairakei, Waitahanui, and Taupo rural. The responsibilities should be identified for each area. Each councillor, should be able to be contacted 24/7, and be available for public consultation.</p> <p>7 Yes, why is a CEO required when an elected Mayor is available. We used to operate quite successfully with just a Mayor before the concept of CEO was proposed. Incidentally, the Mayor should be able to be contacted 24/7, and be available for public consultation — there was one occasion when a senior resident wanted to talk to the mayor on an urgent matter, and was told to make an appointment for 2 weeks time, as the mayor was "busy". In addition, the number of meetings for councillors, and the duration of those meetings should be significantly reduced, in order to make the councillors available to the public and to spend more time on their portfolios. In order to improve Council efficiency, the extreme use of Political Correctness should be avoided as much as possible. This will reduce petty arguments and discussions. The use of secrecy should be avoided, and the overprotective covering of building inspector contact details, and key council contact details.</p>	<p>Accept 2 – 3, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 4, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p> <p>Decline 5 – 6, Population is the primary basis provided to us under the Local Electoral Act. There is a rule to try and be within 10% of an allocation based on population, with some limited ability for exceptions.</p> <p>Decline 6 – 7, comments out of scope (but these have been shared with councillors as part of this submission).</p>
79	Maxwell Carpenter	<p>1 I endorse the proposed change in the hope that a more equitable voice will give a more equitable share of the rates spent on local infrastructure improvements. Too long the Tokaanu end of the lake has been the 'poor relation'. An equitable reinvestment in the area would, I believe, improve the economy of the area and pay dividends to the whole region in the longer term. If the present skimping is continued, it will inevitably perpetuate a downward spiral. The Tokaanu ramps and Marina could be a magnificent gateway attraction for the area. Instead, they are becoming a depressing blight. These downward cycles need to be reversed.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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80	Laurie Downes	<p>2 I want to keep it 5 Yes 6 Yes</p>	<p>Accept 2 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
81	Janet Hird	<p>1 While being a Taupo resident (and ratepayer) I have been concerned for a while now about Turangi's plight to have a voice within the Taupo Council. I am not surprised that the Turangi community on the whole has disengaged itself from local politics when nothing progressive seems to happen in or for their town. I recently attended the Council run information evening in Turangi and was pleased to hear that the Council is trying to address the problem and that you feel positive that two new Council committees should improve Turangi's voice. I am sorry to hear that the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board has been ineffectual in the past — yet they'll be people who genuinely care for their community. why haven't they been able to make headway, be listened to and gain respect by the Taupo Council? Turangi is the next largest town within the region and the Turangi/Tongariro ward has a scattered population, which includes a lot of holiday homes. It plays an important role with making the Taupo District the vibrant go—to place that it is. And it deserves good representation. On reading, listening and getting a better understanding of the situation, I would be in favour of disbanding the Board and establishing two council committees (at least to give it a go) but I feel that the busy Turangi Tongariro Ward still deserves to have 2 councillors ie 2 voices on the Taupo Council. Just having 1 councillor will be a very busy and almost impossible job to be everywhere for everyone. To balance out the extra Turangi council member I strongly feel that the Taupo Ward should lose 1 councillor and drop down to 6 voted councillors. The Taupo ward is a small geographical area that can easily be covered by 6 representatives. The number of councillors per person is irrelevant when you look at the geographical spread of each ward.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 I totally agree with having Maori representation on the Council but there are two tribes in our region and each tribe should have a representation. How are you going to ensure that happens? It wouldn't be fair to have two northern Maori or two southern Maori representing the one large Maori ward.</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 I wouldn't like to see more than 12 councillors representing our district. I would like Turangi to retain 2 Councillors and Taupo reduce by 1, down to 6 Councillors.</p>	<p>Decline 1 and 6, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p> <p>Taupo ward is within the 10% rule with 7 councillors in proportion to its population (at 8%). With only 6 councillors, it would exceed the rule (13 – 25%).</p> <p>Decline 4, the decision to include a single Māori ward for the district was recommended by Council's iwi partners and members of the Māori Representation Working Party established in February 2021. It was considered that one Māori ward would result in better representation for areas such as Turangi, with a high proportion of the Māori electoral population, as those on the Māori Electoral Roll will be able to vote for two Māori ward councillors. It would also result in a more even distribution of workloads for the two Māori ward councillors than if they were elected via two wards; and the ward for the whole district was considered to be fairer overall.</p> <p>Accept 2, 3, 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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82	Collin ELDER	<p>1 Leave the number of elected representative as they are including the community board but add a Hapu representative.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 Turangi currently has a community board with five elected members and two elected councilors The recommendation is to abolish the elected community board and reduce the councilors elected by universal suffrage to one. This is effectively a 85% reduction in representation of general voters and is unacceptable and not justifiable. Turangi's population and rates contribution have both increased and should have more and not less representation. The current system gives a wide range of voices and good access to elected representatives, notwithstanding variability in the effectiveness of individuals there is opportunity to change this every cycle. It is also worth noting that the performance appears to have improved in the last round.</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 I agree with the number of councilors currently elected by universal suffrage and believe that councilors appointed by Iwi / Hapu should be in addition. In principle election on a race based system is abhorrent and anti democratic. It is accepted that the unique Ngati Turangitukua situation of received ex Crown assets when these would commonly have been vested in local council, additional representation appears reasonable</p> <p>7 The unique Ngati Turangitukua situation of becoming the largest landlord and representing a substantial minority of the Turangi population does appear to support an additional appointed representative. The community board should stay, it is accessible and cheap representation and has improving performance.</p>	<p>Decline 1,6, and 7 the number of Councilors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councilors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councilors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p> <p>The Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is divided into the Turangi town subdivision and the Tongariro subdivision. Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua are developing a Mana Whakahono partnership agreement. Following the signing of the agreement, a co-governance committee will be established to enable decision-making in partnership between Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua. The co-governance committee will be making decisions in respect of the Turangi township and its immediate surrounds, hence the proposal to disestablish the community board. In addition to the co-governance committee, a representative group committee is proposed to ensure representation for the remainder of the ward known generally as the Tongariro subdivision.</p> <p>Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review.</p> <p>However, it is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates</p> <p>Accept 2 – 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
83	Laurie Burdett	<p>1 I support the disestablishment of the Turangi community board and support the establishment of two representative groups. I also think the Turangi ward should include part of the Southern area of the Eastern rural ward. This will better even out the numbers overall.</p> <p>2 I think it should change</p> <p>2 I think the Mangakino Pouakani and the Eastern Rural wards should combine to form the Northern rural ward. The population numbers can be evened out by putting the Southern part of the Eastern Rural into the Turangi ward. If there is a concern for Mangakino representation this can be rectified by the establishment of a representative group. I note that both communities are farming and the distance to travel is not great. The current proposal overall does not have fair representation when you consider numbers per councilor.</p> <p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 As above. We do not need another councilor and the cost involved. We are well represented by the number we have. Either combine the two Northern wards or combine the Eastern with council town. However you will need to adjust some boundaries as the population in the Mangakino Pouakani is too small to be fair. As a resident I am comfortable with the proposed representation for where I live near Acacia Bay</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 We do not need another councilor.</p> <p>7 We do not need another councilor. I like the concept of representative groups similar to the one at Kinloch. If the combining of the two Northern wards does not supply sufficient representation for Mangakino then a representative group should be established.</p>	<p>Decline 1 – 3, 5 – 7, Council considers that the proposed wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table.</p> <p>Boundary changes and combining wards have been considered to better balance representation based on populations, but they have the impact of splitting communities of interest and including people in communities with which they are less associated. For example the Taupo East Rural Ward still has strong links to Taupō town for services, whereas the Mangakino Pouakani ward has little links with Taupo and is more connected with Tokoroa.</p> <p>There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p> <p>Accept 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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84	Jonathan Whybrow	<p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>7 I applaud the council's goal of hearing a diverse range of voices in their decision making process. This would help people know that they have a say in what is happening, and hopefully reduce the alienation people can feel. As such, keeping the rural ward seems to be the right decision. And if your consultation with iwi have concluded that a district wide Māori board with 2 councillors is the way to go, then who am I as a pākeha to suggest something different? I trust that this principle will also be taken in mind when hearing other pākeha commenting on the Māori ward.</p>	<p>Accept 3 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities</p>
85	Wai Johnson	<p>1 By keeping the number of Turangi district councilors we have now. I dont agree with creating another beauracratc nightmare, with the advent of yet another board. Aside from the cost of administration, I believe it will be ineffectual and will result in even longer delays for decision making. Since the capital rating system was introduced, Turangi lost control of our funding and resources. Removing another vote for the district is not the answer.I am strongly opposed to the new proposals.</p>	<p>Decline 1, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p> <p>Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review, rather than any replacement committees.</p>
86	Lindsay Amundsen	<p>1 This has to be some sort of a joke, we are heading down a road where there will be no turning around, when will a line be drawn in the sand and say no more. More of our streets are being re named, more and more Maori greeting etc on our Television and now Aotearoa is being mentioned with the New Zealand naming, leave it alone. At the same stage further down the line are you going to demand that everyone who is not a Maori be sent back to the country of origin so they are the sole [people of New Zealand. Lindsay Amundsen</p>	<p>Decline 1, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p>
87	Chris Neeve	<p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 Suggestion: Leave the system as is and haver no change untill the majority have their say. Oh I forgot they already did, but Minister Mahuta made sure she got rid of that option. What a load of rubbish. Where is democracy?As for the decision being already made... what a farce! If Maori want more of their repretatives on council they should go throught the same process as other candidates and be voted in by the public. Not given special treatment. There are already enough maori councilors on the council as per their approximate 30% population in the Taupo region. By given them automatic seats other potential councilors will now be shout out and not able to represent the "people" as per a demorcratic vote. So now we have separate systems for maori in health, justice, maori wards and an upper house of parliament. If Cindy has her way there will be maori control of ALL of New Zealands fresh water with hardly any consultation with the public yet there have been over 60 consultations with iwi. Unbelievable!!! Suggestion: Why not a have a European Ward? or Chinese Ward, or Polynesian Ward or any other ward that is not maori? If this process is truely about fairness and representation for people then other wards have to be compulsory. Just like maori. What is the point in having referendums when government and councils ride roughshod over what the majority of New Zealanders want? This country is on a truely dangerous path and will only get worse if government does not take note of what the public want. Oh and by the way... I am not racist or a red neck as Willie Jackson would have you believe if you don't agree with what he proposes. I am a NEW ZEALANDER!</p>	<p>Decline 4, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p>

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88	Alisdair Keucke	<p>7 The community Board has been the public's access to council over community matters. It seems the community is about to lose that access and have little say in local issues. Turangi's representation on council has been based on population figures. Does this take into account the non—resident property owners who almost double the population when they are resident over holiday periods? The reviews aim is to strengthen representation and local democracy, provide an effective voice and maintain confidence in local government. I can't see how these changes are going to achieve this goal. The councillors elected by Iwi to represent the Māori Ward should be in addition to the present council members. The last census put the European/Pakeha population of Turangi at 51.6%, so this new proposed arrangement does not give fair representation and is undemocratic. The Hapu don't have a good record in decision making, the most common outcome is no decision, so there is every chance that little progress will be made.</p>	<p>Decline 7, the new co-governance committee will be made up of an equal number of members to represent Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the Council, including Turangi locals appointed by Council. It is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates.</p> <p>So the local community will still have a say and a voice over community matters.</p> <p>The number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>Yes, this is only the normally resident population. The use of this as the basis is set by the Local Electoral Act.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p>
89	Ratapu Konui	<p>1 giving turangitukua decision making powers over what happens with, on and around their land 2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 I'd like to suggest a different approach 4 turangi should have its own representative or even 2 5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 5 yes if Turangi has its own maori representative but not if someone from another town is representing turangi 6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach 6 i think turangi should have 2 maori councilors 7 I am greatfull that tdc have finally agreed to enable ngatiturangitukua to have decision making powers over what is rightfully theirs. Futher more when tdc considers the makeup of the other new comitee to represent the interest of the wider tongariro ward that at least 1 member from each marae should be apart of the new comitee structure.</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 3, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 4 and 6, the decision to include a single Māori ward for the district was recommended by Council's iwi partners and members of the Māori Representation Working Party established in February 2021. It was considered that one Māori ward would result in better representation for areas such as Turangi, with a high proportion of the Māori electoral population, as those on the Māori Electoral Roll will be able to vote for two Māori ward councillors. It would also result in a more even distribution of workloads for the two Māori ward councillors than if they were elected via two wards; and the ward for the whole district was considered to be fairer overall.</p> <p>Accept 7, Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review.</p> <p>However, it is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates. Iwi representation is also expected.</p>
90	Deanna Mita	<p>1 to have a better representation of local iwi to have/voice their say about decisions of their whenua. 2 I want to keep it 3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward 4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors 5 Yes 6 Yes 5 support council proposal to give Turangitukua a representation on a community board</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
91	John Pocock	<p>1 The Turangi community already has an appropriate mechanism for a strong local voice through the existing Turangi—Tongariro Community Board. The Community Board should not be replaced. Members representing local residents on any Boards, Committees, and the such like, should be elected by local residents not appointed. That is, the appointment by Council of members on any proposed Co—Governance Committee will not properly represent Turangi locals (and the wider area). Also, for Boards, Committees, and the such like that represent local residents any appointed members should not be a majority.</p>	<p>Decline 1, the new co-governance committee will be made up of an equal number of members to represent Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the Council, including Turangi locals appointed by Council. It is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates.</p>

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92	Jodine Hood	<p>1 I do not agree with the proposed disestablishment of the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board. You say that the new proposed committees will be able to provide better representation but when the Council is appointing people you know that they are not likely to appoint anyone that will disagree with the Council. The Community Board are people voted in by the people of Turangi and they are people that the locals know will do their best for our community. We have always known that Turangi is the poor cousin of Taupo and gets forgotten about. It is only because we have been able to have two Councillors on the Council that we can make any noise to get things done down the southern end of the lake.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 Need to keep two councillors for Turangi—Tongariro Ward</p>	<p>Decline 1, the new co-governance committee will be made up of an equal number of members to represent Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the Council, including Turangi locals appointed by Council. It is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates.</p> <p>Accept 2 – 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 6, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district</p>
93	Christal Morrison	<p>1 Ensure the new structure put in place (whichever form it takes) retains decision making authority and oversight over the distribution of the Turangi—Tongariro Community Grant funds for local projects. Suggestion to implement a staggered rotation replacement strategy for appointees to ensure some continuity of decision making and knowledge on the committees.</p>	<p>Decline 1, Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review.</p> <p>Council sets the overall amount for community grant funding throughout the Taupō district through its Long-term Plan process. While the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is the current distributor of funds for the Turangi-Tongariro ward, it is a convention and Council's expectation that local committees and representative groups throughout the district will continue to have oversight over the distribution of grants for local projects and this will include the Turangi-Tongariro ward.</p>
94	Pieter Braun	<p>1 i support the proposal to disestablish the TTCB in favour of two council committees. I strongly recommend that a strong link with Turangitukua be crucial to the success of these two committees. The interest of all ratepayers within and beyond Turangi to promote continual improvement to the southern Lake Taupō area. Turangi and its surrounding areas need support to promote the lifestyle the area offers both for residents, visitors, business and tourism, with collaboration with iwi.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 remind the representatives to keep rates down, look after the aging infrastructure by continual upgrades, separate what is nice to have to what is essential!</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 7, out of scope of this review (although this comment has been shared with councillors as part of the submission).</p>
95	Lauren Fletcher	<p>1 Disestablishment of Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establishment of co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 I commend TDC and Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa, to disestablish the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establish a co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua as it aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but incredibly relevant grievance.</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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96	Sarah Jane Cuthers	<p>1 Disestablishment of Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establishment of co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua As noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangi township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>& I commend TDC and Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa, to disestablish the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establish a co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua as it aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but incredibly relevant grievance.</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
97	Pauline Jenkins	<p>1 I wish to ensure that when Council is considering the changes as part of the 2021 Representation Review they ensure the role of the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board as prescribed in legislation is upheld by the new committee. In particular, I wish to ensure that the annual Community Grants funding that is apportioned out by the Board, continues under the new structure. This is a substantial amount of money that community groups in our district rely upon, year in and year out. This funding often assists our ratepayers and supports voluntary groups and their project's such as:— The local food bank,— Animal Care Turangi,— Safe Turangi and Christmas in the Park,— Rangatahi Hub, — Tongariro Sports Foundation,— Blue Light, and so on. These voluntary organisation's assist in providing ratepayers with support, that Council is otherwise unable to do solely. Maintaining the Community Grants under the new structure will assist in growing and supporting these organisations. In doing so this will assist in making the Taupo District an attractive place to live, work and play.</p>	<p>Decline 1, Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review.</p> <p>Council sets the overall amount for community grant funding throughout the Taupō district through its Long-term Plan process. While the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is the current distributor of funds for the Turangi-Tongariro ward, it is a convention and Council's expectation that local committees and representative groups throughout the district will continue to have oversight over the distribution of grants for local projects and this will include the Turangi-Tongariro ward.</p>
98	Ken Lord	<p>1 I agree with the disestablishment of the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and the establishment of a suitable governance body, jointly with Ngati Turangitukua.</p>	<p>Accept 1, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
99	Adriana Fletcher	<p>1 Disestablishment of Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establishment of co—governance committee with Ngāti TūrangitukuaAs noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangi township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>7 I commend Taupo District Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa, to disestablish the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establish a co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua as it aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but incredibly relevant grievance.</p>	<p>Accept 1 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
100	Ron Boyle	<p>1 I am satisfied with the proposed solution for local representation. My only criticism is that if both the Maori Ward representatives on Council are elected from the Taupo Town area then the District Council overall becomes top heavy with Taupo town residents, albeit not all pakeha ones. I have to hope the Turangitukua iwi interests can always maintain a presence at District Council level for Te Papamarearea Ward.</p> <p>4 I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>4 I would be happier if we could ensure a balanced representation from north and south of the lake for Te Papamarearea.</p> <p>5 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>5 See above</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	<p>Decline 1,4,5 the decision to include a single Māori ward for the district was recommended by Council's iwi partners and members of the Māori Representation Working Party established in February 2021. It was considered that one Māori ward would result in better representation for areas such as Turangi, with a high proportion of the Māori electoral population, as those on the Māori Electoral Roll will be able to vote for two Māori ward councillors. It would also result in a more even distribution of workloads for the two Māori ward councillors than if they were elected via two wards; and the ward for the whole district was considered to be fairer overall. Accept 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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101	Mike Bowie	<p>1 I am supportive of the proposed changes for the Turangi/Tongariro Ward as outlined in the Representation Review 2021. I believe these proposed changes will provide a fair representation to Council and give Turangi and the wider Tongariro area an appropriate local voice.</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p> <p>7 It is imperative that the current Turangi Tongariro Community Board Community Grants be retained under the new Ward structure. There are too many worthwhile Turangi/Tongariro Community projects that would not survive if this grant funding was withdrawn.</p>	<p>Accept 1 – 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 7, Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review.</p> <p>Council sets the overall amount for community grant funding throughout the Taupō district through its Long-term Plan process. While the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is the current distributor of funds for the Turangi-Tongariro ward, it is a convention and Council's expectation that local committees and representative groups throughout the district will continue to have oversight over the distribution of grants for local projects and this will include the Turangi-Tongariro ward</p>
102	Pania Walters	<p>1 Disestablishment of Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establishment of co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua</p> <p>As noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangī township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>7 I commend TDC and Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa, to disestablish the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establish a co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua as it aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but incredibly relevant grievance</p>	<p>Accept 1 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
103	Renee Fletcher	<p>1 Disestablishment of Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establishment of co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua</p> <p>As noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangī township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>7 I commend TDC and Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa, to disestablish the Turangi—Tongariro Community Board and establish a co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua as it aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but incredibly relevant grievance.</p>	<p>Accept 1 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
104	JIM BAGGOTT	<p>1 I do not agree to your proposal. No council business should be decided on race of any description. The present setup of our local community board is fine, regardless of what race the councillors are.</p>	<p>Decline 1, the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is divided into the Turangi town subdivision and the Tongariro subdivision. Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua are developing a Mana Whakahono partnership agreement. Following the signing of the agreement, a co-governance committee will be established to enable decision-making in partnership between Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua. The co-governance committee will be making decisions in respect of the Turangi township and its immediate surrounds, hence the proposal to disestablish the community board. In addition to the co-governance committee, a representative group committee is proposed to ensure representation for the remainder of the ward known generally as the Tongariro subdivision.</p>

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105	Kim Alexander for Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board	<p>1 How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice?</p> <p>2 Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change?</p> <p>3 Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town?</p> <p>4 Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach?</p> <p>5 Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community?</p> <p>6 Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community?</p> <p>7 Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?</p> <p>1 We think the disestablishment of the Turangi–Tongariro Community Board and instead having two Council committees to represent the Turangi, and wider Tongariro areas will achieve this, as well as achieve our goal to work more closely with our Treaty settlement partners Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>1 This submission is made by Shane Heremaia on the proposal in the context of the current Taupō District Council (TDC) Representation Review. This submission solely addresses the proposed disestablishment of the Tūrangī – Tongariro Community Board to be replaced by a co—governance committee made up of representatives of TDC, Tūrangī locals and Ngāti Tūrangitukua. In short, we the Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board support the disestablishment of the Community Board and the establishment of the co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>We the Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board support the:</p> <p>a. disestablishment of the Community Board; and</p> <p>b. establishment of the co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>As noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangī township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>It is pleasing to see the TDC is open to seeing this co—governance committee as an option for Ngāti Tūrangitukua to share decision—making power with TDC and have a more active role in the management of affairs in their rohe. This is a unique proposition and one that could be used as an example for other Councils and iwi partners across Aotearoa. The Trust Board commends TDC and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa.</p>	<p>Accept 1, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
106	Stephen Sanderson for Whareroa Village Residents Association	<p>1 If the Turangi— Tongariro Community Board is disestablished we believe that the creation of the two committees will give both Turangi and the Tongariro area fair representation and a voice in council, We support this proposal.Care needs to be taken to ensure that all of the communities are fairly represented. Each community puts forward a representative rather than council appointed. This could be done through their AGM process and should not need Council input.</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 If the committee succeeds 1 councillor plus the Maori ward councillor would be sufficient whoever if the committee structure doesn't succeed 2 Plus the Maori ward councillor should remain.</p>	<p>Accept 1 (in part), Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this representation review.</p> <p>However, it is a convention and Council's expectation that the local community will have a chance to input into the decision by council on who the local representatives are on the co-governance and local representative committees. This may include seeking expressions of interest, asking the local communities to nominate candidates, and asking the local communities to indicate support for potential candidates.</p> <p>Accept 4 – 5, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 6, the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p>
107	Elaine Downes	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>5 Yes</p> <p>6 Yes</p>	<p>Accept 2, 5 and 6, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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108	Kylie Leonard for Taupo East Rural Representative Group	<p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>7 Introduction –</p> <p>This submission compiled by the Taupō East Rural (TER) Representative Group is for the purposes of ensuring a guaranteed rural voice remains represented at Council table.</p> <p>This rural voice is useful and without the Taupō East Rural arrangements remaining status quo, it would be very difficult for a rural candidate to be elected with the high population of Taupō town voters.</p> <p>Though it's still in its infancy, the current TER group supported with elected councillor Leonard who 'understands the dynamics of the rural ward' are determined to represent and act as an advocate for the interests of the Taupō East Rural ward. Already it has provided a different view and raised new questions and perspectives about council services.</p> <p>While recognising the challenges this poses for Council to meet the —/— 10 rule, the TER group representative of farmers, rural educators, local marae, runanga and its rural residential community would like to see the retention of these arrangements when reviewing the boundaries for the general wards.</p> <p>Background of Ward –</p> <p>The introduction of the Taupō East Rural Ward at the last election 2019 similarly complements Turangi—Tongariro and Mangakino—Pouakani wards by providing a platform for the specific perspectives of rural communities in the district.</p> <p>This recently new ward covers a broad geographical area including Oruanui north of Poihipi Road, Broadlands, Rangitaiki, Taharua, and Wairakei—Aratiatia including Ohaaki and Wairakei Village (see map below).</p> <p>It's scope of activity</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Providing local input into the development of Council policy that will impact on the Taupō East Rural ward 2. Maintaining an overview of service delivery, operational and capital expenditure, within the TER ward 3. Providing local input into the development and review of Council's key planning documents such as the Long—term Plan, Asset Management Plans, Structure Plans, Reserve Management Plans and the annual plan 4. Preparing an annual submission to Council's budgetary process for expenditure within the community 5. Considering and reporting on all matters referred to it by Council or any matter of interest or concern to the ward 6. Communicating with the rural community, community organisations and special interest groups within the TER ward <p>Benefits of retaining Taupō East Rural Representative Group aligns perfectly with its scope of activities –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. providing a specific voice for the broad rural geographical scope that the seat represents. 2. providing a platform for isolated communities to connect, discuss and identify their rural needs and concerns in relation to Council matters impacting on the TER ward. 3. building broad rural relationships and capacity with Council that will benefit all demographic sectors within the TER ward. 	<p>Accept 3 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>
109	Mark Wadham	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 1. I support the disestablishment of the Turangi/Tongariro Community Board. 2. Further co—governance committees are an unnecessary expense. 7 3. Separate ward boundaries are not required for either the Māori or the general wards. <p>In passing I consider it is a travesty that all ratepayers were not given an opportunity to vote for or against the concept of a Maori ward. Democracy doesn't appear be a matter for consideration as far as the Taupo District Council is concerned in this area despite the fact that all councillors are elected by the ratepayers.</p> <p>In addition, the consultancy document incorrectly refers to ' the Treaty of Waitangi principles of partnership'. There is no partnership referred to in the treaty. The Taupo District Council is well aware of the correct position and it is disappointing to see it making misleading statements of this nature in documents presumably issued with the Council's approval.</p>	<p>Accept 1 (in part), Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review, rather than any replacement committees.</p> <p>Decline 7, Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p> <p>The decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p>

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110	Timothy Plummer	<p>1 I believe The Turangi/Tongariro Community Board should be disestablished and that the TTCB should not be replaced by a new co—governance committee. Turangi matters of governance are equally District matters.TDC has failed to advise the community on all matters that relate to the future of the Turangi community. For that reason no decisions should be made by Council until that community has been consulted.</p> <p>4 Agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors</p> <p>7 I recommend having just the one boundary for both the new Maori ward voters and one ward for all other voters.I believe Councilors are elected to represent all the residents within the District, not just their respective ward, hence the right of the voters to elect the most experienced candidates irrespective of where they reside within the District .I support two Councilors in the new Maori ward and 10 Councilors in the General Ward. Plus one Mayor.I expect all 12 Councilors and the Mayor to represent all voters of the Taupe District.</p>	<p>Accept 1 (in part), Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review, rather than any replacement committees.</p> <p>Accept 4, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 7, Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p>
111	Eric Wilson	<p>6 No, I'd like to suggest a different approach</p> <p>6 How many Councilors. — Currently 11 — 6 TTCB members. Turangi Tongaroro lose 1 TTCB become 1. However you do it the cost should remain as is. This district committee cost should not exceed that of TTCB as it is now. The proposed 2 district committees seem unworkable to be given the area size of the district.</p> <p>1 Re to have or not have community board. Little point in keeping. The power of the Community Board has been progressively reduced. The decision making is with TDC.</p> <p>7 Re Maori wards. The assumption is that there will always be non Maori representation. What guarantee is there that there will be non Maori representation.</p>	<p>Accept 6 (in part) Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review, rather than any replacement committees.</p> <p>Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p> <p>Having general (non-Maori roll) wards ensures non-Māori representation, as much as Maori wards ensure Māori representation.</p>

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112	Kirsty Trueman for Mangakino	<p>2 I want to keep it</p> <p>7 Introduction –</p> <p>The Mangakino – Pouakani area has had a dedicated seat at Council for a long time. This ensures that there is someone at the decision—making table who knows the Mangakino—Pouakani area.</p> <p>Taupō District Council thinks this is important, because it's a unique part of the District, with its distinct needs for Council services. Judging solely according to population, this area wouldn't get its own seat. This means this decision will be subject to a review by the Local Government Commission. Taupō District Council thinks keeping the Mangakino – Pouakani ward to ensure this area has a seat at the Council table is vital.</p> <p>Background of Ward —</p> <p>The Mangakino Pouakani Representative Group was established in 2011. It was noted that the Mangakino Pouakani area was unique in location, relationships, and functions. The objective of the group is to represent and act as an advocate for the interests of the Mangakino/Pouakani area.</p> <p>Membership: One (1) Mangakino/Pouakani Councillor Two (2) other Councillors Two (2) community representatives One (1) Marae Representative One (1) Māori Representative Mayor Quorum Four (4) Meeting frequency: Every two months or more often as required Reporting: Reports to Council Scope of activity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Providing local input into the development of Council policy that will impact on the MP ward. 2. Maintaining an overview of service delivery, operational and capital expenditure, within the MP ward. Providing local input into the development and review of Council's key planning documents such as the Long—term Plan, Asset Management Plans, Structure Plans, Reserve Management Plans and the annual plan. 3. Preparing an annual submission to Council's budgetary process for expenditure within the community. 4. Considering and reporting on all matters referred to it by Council or any matter of interest or concern to the ward. 5. Communicating with the MP community, community organisations and special interest groups within the MP ward. 6. Exercising Council's statutory regulatory functions under the following Acts and Regulations (and any amendments) that are not elsewhere delegated to staff and that relate to matters in the Mangakino/Pouakani ward: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Government Act 1974 – Part 21 • Land Transport Act 1998 • Reserves Act 1977 • Local Government Act 1974 – Section 319 — Road Naming 7. Considering resident and ratepayer appeals to decisions made in accordance with Council's Tree and Vegetation Policy affecting trees and vegetation in the Mangakino/Pouakani ward. <p>Benefits of the Mangakino Pouakani Representative Group —</p> <p>The Mangakino Pouakani Representative group agrees with the Taupō District Council to keep the ward and its seat at the Council table; and also believe it is vital. The area comprising the urban township of Mangakino and the predominantly rural area from Waihaha to Kawakawa including the rural localities of Tihoi, Mokai, Orakei Korako, Tirohanga and Whakamaru and the villages of Whakamaru and Atiamuri. Each of these little settlements within the ward have their own specific community needs and can be up to 50kms apart from each other which makes it very different from a town setting. The ward is unique in its location and its proximity to Tokoroa, many locals shop and recreate in Tokoroa; the community also accesses health, government agency services, bus service and schooling in Tokoroa. The Mangakino ward crosses over parts of both Ngāti Raukawa and Ngāti Tūwharetoa rohe.</p> <p>The Mangakino ward is unique in that a branch of Ngāti Kahungunu from the Wairarapa also now resides on part of the Pouakani lands in the northern reaches of the district. The functions and services delivered by Council are unique and different based on location and community need. The population of the ward is 3,035 as at 2020.</p> <p>In the last two to three years the holiday makers and tourism industry have really taken off which has changed the dynamics and opportunities within the ward. The benefits of having a local voice at the Council table is huge. It means that the needs of these small rural communities don't get forgotten or overlooked. In order for these communities and ward as a whole to thrive the Mangakino Pouakani Representative Group needs to remain to act as an advocate, by the ward for the ward.</p>	<p>Accept 2 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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113	Gary & Jil Richardson	<p>3 I would rather just vote as part of Taupō town</p> <p>7 This submission is made by Gary & Jil Richardson who reside in the Oruanui area. We have been placed in the Taupo East Rural Area. Whilst we think there is probably a need for this rural representative on the council we feel the new wards are not in line with the requirements as set out in the Local Government Commissions Determination</p> <p>Please note the following:—</p> <p>The advertising to the general public in Taupo was inadequate pre the last election.. The council state we should have got the information off their Web site. Are we expected to refer to the Council Web site regularly to see what the council are doing? Surely it is the Council's duty to keep the public (especially those directly affected) fully informed as to its intention.. A simple letter to all those affected would have been ideal. There were only 2 advertisements in the Taupo Times over approx a 2 year period with random suggestions. The Council held "drop in" meetings in various places but during working hours so nobody other than the retired and unemployed could attend. As a result of the meagre advertising, only 28 submissions were received from the Taupo population.</p> <p>Number 31 in the Determination refers to communities of interest. Could the council please advise which of the "Perceptual, Functional, Political" joins Rangitaiki, Broadlands, Reporoa, Oruanui and Wairakei as a community? There is not a central meeting point and no unified community. The separation is very clear when you have received a submission from the "Taupo East Rural Representative Group" which is a few people purporting to represent the Ward when we have never heard of them let alone received any correspondence from them.</p> <p>We have not heard a word from the elected member for our region. It would appear maybe only Rangitaiki area has. We were assured by the Mayor that Kylie Leonard would be a good representative — does she attend all Council meetings due to her involvement with her Fonterra commitments? How was it possible for her name to be put forward for a new Ward when the "locals" didn't even know there was to be a new ward? The areas of Oruanui and Wairakei are areas close Taupo Township, in fact closer to Taupo than Kinloch. We would like to point out that the Mayor mislead the commission when he said " that the Kinloch Group had been formed relatively recently in response to requests from the Kinloch Community" That community group has been going for over 20 years. The Kinloch area includes some very large farms and they are outside the so called rural Ward.</p> <p>We have spoken to a number of residents in the Oruanui area and most were so angry at being excluded from Taupo Township that they did not vote. They all said they had not had any notification from the council and the first they knew of the change was when they got their voting papers. Supposedly 3000 voters in the new Ward of which we believe only 300 voted. Does that say anything?!! Is that a concern of the Council? We could carry on giving quotes from the commission's determination but that would make this submission huge so we will request that the councillors refer back to the Determination and read the following paragraphs which are clearly in contradiction to the intent of the ward areas.</p> <p>13 , 22, 30, 31, 40</p> <p>Finally the rural ward is so wide spread it takes nearly 2 hours to drive from one side to the other. It's unreasonable to expect Ms Leonard to communicate with such a large area. Oruanui is closer to Rotorua than Rangitaiki, closer to the Taupo Township than Kinloch. Please put the wards back to where they were before the last election</p>	<p><i>Decline 3</i>, the Taupō East Rural Ward is required to ensure fair and effective representation for this community of interest. There has been strong support from submitters for keeping this ward to ensure representation for this community.</p> <p>Councillors and Council staff continue to improve consultation and engagement methods to ensure that all communities are aware of projects and enable feedback on these. Submission points have also been shared with the Taupō East Rural representative group so they are made aware of these concerns.</p> <p>The Taupō East Rural Ward is a collection of rural communities and while they may function separately from one another, there are distinctive commonalities associated with these communities for representation purposes. While a large geographical area, land is predominantly used for productive purposes facing many of the same economic and environmental challenges for example. Representing these common issues ensures this unique industry perspective at Council, particularly given the contribution to the district economy this industry has. Some smaller landholdings within the ward are located closer to Taupō town and it is recognised that many commute regularly to Taupō for employment and services. This area still however encompasses a rural lifestyle with many economic and social links to the wider ward that are different to those living within a residential setting.</p>

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114	Hinerauamoia Mohi for Ngati Turangitukua Maori Committee	<p>1 Support for the new Co—governance Committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua</p> <p>3. We the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Māori Committee support the:</p> <p>a. disestablishment of the Community Board; and</p> <p>b. establishment of the co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>4. As noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangi township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>5. It is pleasing to see the TDC is open to seeing this co—governance committee as an option for Ngāti Tūrangitukua to share decision—making power with TDC and have a more active role in the management of affairs in their rohe. This is a unique proposition and one that could be used as an example for other Councils and iwi partners across Aotearoa.</p> <p>6. The Ngāti Tūrangitukua Māori Committee commends TDC for their leadership on this kaupapa.</p> <p>7 1. This submission is made by the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Māori Committee on the proposal in the context of the current Taupō District Council (TDC) Representation Review. This submission solely addresses the proposed disestablishment of the Tūrangi – Tongariro Community Board to be replaced by a co—governance committee made up of representatives of TDC, Tūrangi locals and Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>2. In short, we the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Māori Committee support the disestablishment of the Community Board and the establishment of the co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>Ko wai mātau</p> <p>Ngāti Tūrangitukua is a hapū of Ngāti Tūwharetoa and maintains Ahi kā roa — Mana Whenua in Te Mātāpuna. Ngāti Tūrangitukua maintains Kaitiakitanga over their rohe and area of interest in accordance with tikanga and further supports the right of whānau to manage and utilise their whenua and resources for their own benefit.</p> <p>Ngāti Tūrangitukua claim the Kaitiakitanga and Rangatiratanga (mana whakahaere) over all properties and assets within its immediate area of influence and in accordance with its own tikanga and whakapapa Ngāti Tūrangitukua also recognises that the Hapū of Ngāti Tūwharetoa are interconnected and the relationship and interest of whānau and hapū across the Mātāpuna are dynamic, bound by common whakapapa and whanaungatanga — Tūwharetoa ki Kawerau, Tūwharetoa ki Waiariki, Tūwharetoa ki te Tonga.</p> <p>The Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua as Hapū o Ngāti Tūwharetoa is embodied in the Arikitunga which in turn binds the iwi together, returning mana back to hapū and whānau. The Ngāti Tūrangitukua Māori Committee is the legal entity which governs the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust.</p>	<p>Accept 1 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p>

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115	Lauren Fletcher for Ngāti Turangitukua Charitable Trust - Chairperson	<p>1 Support for the new Co—governance Committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua</p> <p>3. We the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust support the:</p> <p>a. disestablishment of the Community Board; and</p> <p>b. establishment of the co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>4. As noted in the Consultation Document, Ngāti Tūrangitukua are mana whenua in Tūrangi township and its surrounds. Ngāti Tūrangitukua has a special relationship with the whenua (land) and people located within its rohe which is reflected through their role as kaitiaki (guardians) and landowners of most reserves located within its rohe. It is therefore wholly appropriate that TDC would consider a co—governance option such as this in the context of the representation review and streamline the current level of governance by disestablishing the Community Board.</p> <p>5. It is pleasing to see the TDC is open to seeing this co—governance committee as an option for Ngāti Tūrangitukua to share decision—making power with TDC and have a more active role in the management of affairs in their rohe. This is a unique proposition and one that could be used as an example for other Councils and iwi partners across Aotearoa.</p> <p>CONCLUSION</p> <p>6. The Ngāti Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust commends TDC and Council and Ngāti Tūrangitukua for their leadership on this kaupapa as it aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but incredibly relevant grievance.</p> <p>7 1. This submission is made by the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust on the proposal in the context of the current Taupō District Council (TDC) Representation Review. This submission solely addresses the proposed disestablishment of the Tūrangi – Tongariro Community Board to be replaced by a co—governance committee made up of representatives of TDC, Tūrangi locals and Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>2. In short, we the Ngāti Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust support the disestablishment of the Community Board and the establishment of the co—governance committee with Ngāti Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>Ko wai mātau</p> <p>“E ngā mana, e ngā reo, e rau rangatira mā, nei rā te reo karanga o te māreikura ā Pīhanga e mihi nei ki te hunga kua riro atu ki te pō, koutou kua wheturangitia, haere, haere, hoki atu. E kore e warewaretia ngā mahi whakahirahira kua oti nei i a koutou. Koutou ki a koutou, tātou te hunga ora ki a tātou, Tihēi Mauri Ora.</p> <p>NGĀTI TŪRANGITUKUA CHARITABLE TRUST</p> <p>The Ngāti Tūrangitukua Charitable Trust is the post settlement entity that is responsible for managing the assets that Ngāti Tūrangitukua received under wai 84 the Tūrangi Township settlement. On 26 September 1998, the Crown signed a Deed of Settlement with the Ngāti Tūrangitukua hapu of Ngāti Tūwharetoa. The Ngāti Tūrangitukua Claims Settlement Act 1999 gives effect to this settlement. The settlement covers claims made by Ngāti Turangitukua arising from the creation of the Tūrangi township, in the central North Island, in the 1960s and the development of the Tōngariro power scheme. It aims to restore the Mana of Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the honour of the Crown by settling this historic, but recent, grievance. The settlement includes an apology by the Crown for its wrongdoings and a redress package of cash, land and administrative arrangements. Most of the settlement affects the Tūrangi township. The apology from the Crown is a very significant element of the settlement and clears the way for Ngāti Tūrangitukua and the Crown to form an honourable relationship. The value of the settlement does not directly compensate for the losses suffered by Ngāti Tūrangitukua but provides a platform for the hapū to build on.</p>	Accept 1 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.
116	Harry Carlson for Te Arawa River Iwi Trust - TARIT	<p>3 We should ensure a voice at Council for this rural area by keeping the Taupō East Rural Ward</p> <p>7 Te Arawa River Iwi Trust (TARIT) has its genesis in the Ngāti Tūwharetoa, Raukawa and Te Arawa River Iwi Waikato River Act 2010. The three Te Arawa River Iwi; Ngāti Tahu—Ngāti Whaoa, Ngāti Kearoa—Ngāti Tuarā and Tuhourangi—Ngāti Wāhiao are beneficiaries of TARIT who assert Mana Whenua, Kaitiakitanga, Ahi Kā, Mana Whakahaere and Mana o te Wai over the Waikato River and its tributaries that run through our rohe.</p> <p>TARIT is committed to environmental sustainability and strategic goals:</p> <p>1. Mana Tangata: Enabling our people to participate in the restoration and protection of the Waikato River, tributaries and environments.</p> <p>2. Mana Taiao: Implementing measures to restore and protect the Waikato tributaries and environments.</p> <p>3. Mana Mātauranga: Upholding tikanga, preserving wāhi tupuna and enhancing mātauranga of Te Arawa River Iwi.</p> <p>TARIT takes this opportunity to thank Taupō District Council for the opportunity to make a submission on the Representation Review 2021. TARIT also takes this opportunity to congratulate Taupō District Council for the decision to support and establish a Māori ward. TARIT supports the establishment of Māori Wards as this sets a positive step forward in promoting a māori voice at the local government decision—making table.</p>	Accept 3 and 7, support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.

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117	Clint Green for Turangi-Tongariro Community Board - Chair	<p>1. How can we improve things to ensure that Turangi and the wider Tongariro area have their appropriate local voice?</p> <p>2. Do you want to keep the Mangakino–Pouakani Ward, or do you think it should change?</p> <p>3. Should we keep the Taupō East Rural Ward, or, would you rather just vote as part of Taupō town?</p> <p>4. Do you agree with a district-wide Māori Ward with two councillors, or do you suggest another approach?</p> <p>5. Do you think the proposed wards and boundaries will fairly represent you and your community?</p> <p>6. Will the proposed numbers of councillors for each ward, with 12 councillors in total, ensure fair representation for you and your community?</p> <p>7. Do you have any other comments you would like to share with us?</p> <p>1 This submission compiled by the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board for the purposes of ensuring the Turangi andTongariro areas have representation and the local voice remains represented at Taupō District Council.</p> <p>Introduction The Turangi-Tongariro Community Board acknowledges all past members of the board and their contribution to ourcommunity, and to acknowledge Ngā Tūrangitukua as the mana whenua and their special relationship with the whenua and people located within its rohe as kai aki and landowners.</p> <p>Background of Turangi-Tongariro Community Board The Turangi-Tongariro Board represents the interest of the Turangi-Tongariro community and is a statutory body withresponsibilities, duties and powers delegated to it by Taupō District Council. The Board has a membership of eight; sixelected community board representatives and two district councillors.</p> <p>Representation review 2021 The Turangi-Tongariro Board has considered the proposed Council changes to representation in the Turangi-TongariroWard. We have engaged our community through a number of ways which included, drop in session, public meeting, socialmedia, and members available for phone calls and other meetings.</p> <p>1 The Turangi-Tongariro Community Board;</p> <p>1. Support the establishment of a committee to represent the remainder of the Tongariro ward and lake side settlements.</p> <p>2.Support the establishment of a co-governance committee for the Turangi township and its immediate surrounds, including a partnership with Ngā Tūrangitukua.</p> <p>3. Support in principle and working towards a Mana Whakahono-ā-Rohe agreement.</p> <p>4. Suggest investigating a mixed model, ward councillor and councillor at large approach to representation. There is some concern from residents that there will be a reduction in representation for the Turangi-Tongariro Ward from two to one councillor.</p> <p>5. The board had hoped to see a greater level of public participation in the representation review process, but recognise considerable engagement process has been undertaken.</p> <p>6. Support the disestablishment of the Turangi-Tongariro Community Board.</p> <p>The Turangi-Tongariro Community Board is committed to work with Council towards the next election and the positive outcomes of the representation review.</p>	<p>Accept 1 (in part) support of the proposal which we believe will provide fair and effective representation for the district's people and their communities.</p> <p>Decline 1 (in part) the number of Councillors for Turangi is determined by its population. A significant proportion of the Turangi population will be represented by the two Māori Ward councillors due to a high number of people enrolled on the Māori Electoral roll instead of the General Electoral Roll.</p> <p>A single councillor is in-line with the 10% rule (at -3%). A second councillor would create an unjustifiable overrepresentation (47%). It would also trigger the need for an additional Māori Ward councillor taking the total number of councillors to 14, which is more than is necessary for fair and effective representation in the Taupō district.</p> <p>A mixed-model cannot change the proportions of councillors for individual wards. i.e. 2 Māori, 1 Turangi, 1 Mangakino, 7 Taupo. As Mangakino and Turangi cannot be reduced, neither can Taupo. Thus, the only way to have at large councillors (those who can be voted for by anyone, like the Mayor) is to have additional councillors on top of the 12 we already proposed, or to get rid of the ward system, which ensures representation for Turangi and Managakino. Neither or those options is considered to provide fair and effective representation.</p>
118	Sylvia G.P Roberton	<p>1 3. Disestablish the Turangi /Tongariro Community Board.</p> <p>4. I give NO support for having a second new committee which are NOT democratically elected.</p> <p>Further to this, extra employment costs would be added to the already elected Councillors voted in by the Public. This would be a clumsy mechanism causing confusion in moving the Council forward on major projects.</p> <p>7 1. One Ward for the local population that is not on the Maori Electoral list.</p> <p>2. Have no separate Maori Ward.</p> <p>I do not appreciate the Government's push for establishing MAORI wards. There is an appropriate mechanism for acquiring new Councillors and it is up to the discretion of the ratepayer to choose who they want to represent them. I think everyone does do this as we all want a community that listens to each other and make decisions case by case to ensure our communities blossom.</p>	<p>Accept 1 (in part), Only the decision on whether to retain or disestablish the community board is technically in scope of this review, rather than any replacement committees.</p> <p>Decline 7, Council considers that wards are needed to ensure that the significant and unique areas and populations of the district have a voice at the council table. Without a ward system, it would be very difficult for candidates advocating for these particular areas to get sufficient votes to be elected when competing against those advocating for Taupō town given its majority (70 – 75%) population and consequently overwhelming voting power. There has been strong support from our smaller communities to retain their current wards to ensure they have a voice at Council.</p> <p>Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p>
119	Alan Fleming	<p>7. I am happy with the changes as listed, but am not happy with legislation that is based upon race. There are no indigenous people in New Zealand. We are all immigrants and no race should have preference over another. Aotearoa - New Zealand is for all residents to enjoy. If Maori ever claim ownership of water or air there will be a riot.</p>	<p>Decline 7, the decision on whether or not there should be a Māori ward is out of scope. The decision to introduce Māori Wards was made earlier in the year, the community's views were considered at that time and a decision made. This representation review is a direct result of the Taupō District Council deciding to introduce Māori wards to ensure that communities continue to have fair and effective representation.</p>