



LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

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Commission announces decision on representation arrangements for the Waitakere City Council

The Local Government Commission today announced its decision on the Waitakere City Council's membership, ward, and community board arrangements for the 2007 local elections.

After considering appeals and objections against the Council's proposal, the Commission has decided that:

- The Council will comprise a mayor and 14 councillors elected as follows:

Ward	Councillors
Massey	4
Henderson	4
New Lynn	4
Waitakere	2

- There will be a community board for each ward.

The Commission's decision differs from the Council's proposal in the following ways –

- An extended area around and including Ranui remains in the Massey Ward;
- An additional area of Glendene is transferred from the Henderson Ward to the New Lynn Ward;
- The Waitakere Ward is extended to more closely follow the area identified in the Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area Bill presently before Parliament, and includes Laingholm and Titirangi; and
- The Waitakere Ward will be represented by two councillors instead of one.

A copy of the Commission's determination is available on the Commission's website at www.lgc.govt.nz

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