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Request from:	New Zealand Taxpayers' Union
Information requested:	Committee structure and unelected member information
Response by:	Barbara Phillips, Chief Executive

27 February 2025

New Zealand Taxpayers' Union

Via Email: phoenix@taxpayers.org.nz

Dear Phoenix

Official information request for committee structure and unelected member information

I refer to your official information request dated 13 December 2024 for committee structure and unelected member information.

You have asked for the following information:

1. Committee Structure

- a. A list of your Council's standing committees, including their names, scope and delegations.**

This information can be found on the Westland District Council website here: <https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz/your-council/council-committees/>

- b. The hierarchical structure of committees and their relationship to the Council/governing body. For example, whether decisions by the committee must be approved by the Council/governing body.**

This information can be found in the Terms of Reference of each committee on the Westland District Council website here: <https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz/your-council/council-committees/>

2. Committee memberships

- a. A breakdown of the number of elected and number of unelected members (i.e. appointments under Cl 31(3) of Sch 7 of LGA) on each individual committee.**

This information can be found on the Westland District Council website here: <https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz/your-council/council-committees/>

3. Details of unelected members

For each unelected committee member please provide:

- a. Their names and contact information**

You can find the names of each unelected committee member on the Westland District Council website here: <https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz/your-council/council-committees/>

The contact information for the unelected committee members has been refused under section 7(2)(a) of LGOIMA to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

b. Their date of appointment

- **Risk and Assurance Committee**

The duration of appointment is from 09 February 2023, until the end of the Current Council Triennium in October 2025 when all Council committees will be disestablished.

- **Council Controlled Organisations Committee**

The duration of appointment is from 01 January 2025, until the end of the current Council Triennium in October 2025 when all Council committees will be disestablished.

- **Hokitika Wastewater Treatment Plant Project (WWTP) Oversight Subcommittee**

The Inaugural meeting of the WWTP Oversight Subcommittee was held on 04 August 2021. With the current terms of reference adopted (as the committees above) on 24 November 2022.

c. Whether or not they have voting rights on the Committee(s) they sit on

All members serving on a Council committee or subcommittee are granted voting rights, enabling them to actively participate in decision-making processes and contribute to the final outcomes of the discussions and proposals brought before the group.

d. The specific “skills, attributes, or knowledge” that in the opinion of the local authority assist the work of the committee or subcommittee (refer to Cl 31(3) of Sch 7 of the LGA).

In the opinion of the local authority, the skills, attributes, and knowledge that support the work of the committee or subcommittee include a diverse range of expertise and qualities that enable effective collaboration, informed decision-making, and the ability to address the various challenges and responsibilities the committee may encounter. These qualities ensure that the committee functions effectively and achieves its objectives.

- e. **Their CV (if the Council does not hold a CV, please provide biographical information such as what qualifications, professional memberships, and work history the Council is aware of).**

We are refusing this part of your request under section 7(2)(a) of LGOIMA to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

4. Public accountability

- a. **For unelected committee members, please tell us whether contact information is available on the Council's website to at least the same degree as the elected officials.**

The contact information for unelected committee members is not provided on the Council's website. These details are not made available for public sharing under section 7(2)(a) of LGOIMA to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

5. Remuneration and expenses

- a. **Please provide the remuneration paid to each unelected member in the last 12 months (or, if easier, calendar year 2024).**

The total for the financial year 2023/24 is \$6,750.00

- b. **Please provide the total amount of expense reimbursements and travel costs paid to or on behalf of each unelected member in the last 12 months (or, if easier, calendar year 2024).**

The total for the financial year 2023/24 is as follows:

Accommodation \$2332.76

Meals \$726.08

Travel \$2601.89

6. Interests Register

- a. **Please provide the most recent Interests Register information for each of the unelected committee members.**

Please refer to the enclosed attachments

There will be no charge in supplying this information to you.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Mary-anne Bell, Business Analyst at LGOIMA@westlanddc.govt.nz, 03 756 9091.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Barbara Phillips', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Barbara Phillips | Chief Executive

BP/MB

Attachments:

- CCO Oversight Committee Interest Register
- Risk and Assurance Interest Register
- Hokitika WWTP Interest Register

COUNCIL CONTROLLED ORGANISATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERS INTEREST REGISTER 2025

1. **Pecuniary** (expectation of a gain or loss of money personally), **non-pecuniary** (does not involve money)
2. Conflicts of interest can be **actual, perceived, or potential**:
 - a) An **actual** conflict of interest involves a direct conflict between an Elected Member’s current duties and responsibilities and existing private interests.
 - b) A **perceived** or apparent conflict of interest can exist where it could be perceived or appears, that an Elected Member’s private interests could improperly influence the performance of their duties, whether or not this is the case.
 - c) A **potential** conflict of interest arises where an Elected Member has private interests that could conflict with other official duties in the future.

Date Updated	Name	Interest	Type of Interest ¹	Actual, Potential or Perceived Conflict of Interest ²
10.01.25	Stephen Reindler	Broome Internation Airport Group – Director	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Waste Disposal Services (Auckland Council – WMNZV) – Independent Chair	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Steel and Tube Holdings Ltd – Director	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Steel and Tube Holdings Ltd – Governance and Rem Committee – Chairman	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Clearwater Construction Ltd - Chairman	Pecuniary	Perceived
		D & H Steel Construction Ltd – Chairman	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Christchurch Multi Use Arena Delivery Project (Te Kaha) Ltd – Director	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Port of Auckland Ltd (POAL) – Director	Pecuniary	Perceived
		POAL Safety and Wellbeing Board Sub Committee - Chairman	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Museum of NZ Te Papa Tongarewa – Governance Group - Independent Advisor	Pecuniary	Perceived
		ReindlerCo Ltd- Director	Pecuniary	Perceived
10.01.25	Mayor Hele Lash	Lash Fisheries Ltd - Director	Non-Pecuniary	Nil

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² The interest is to be defined as actual, potential or perceived.

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		Westland Soroptimists Patron	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
		Heritage Hokitika Patron	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
		West Coast Mayors, Chairs, and Iwi Forum – Member	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
		West Coast One District Plan – TTPP - Member	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
		Takiwa Poutini – Localities Steering Group	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
		Destination Management Plan Reference Group	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
		West Coast Housing Forum Working Group	Non-Pecuniary	Nil
10.01.25	Cr Ashley Cassin (Deputy)	Shining Light On The Dark (Founder)	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		Westland Heritage Celebrations Steering Group	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		Community Organisation Grants Scheme West Coast	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		TTPP One District Plan Committee	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		Kiwi Rugby Football Club Committee	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		Te Tai O Poutini / West Coast Conservation Board	Pecuniary	Potential
		Hokitika Touch Rugby Club – Committee Member	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		West Coast Primary Health Organisation Board	Pecuniary	Potential
		Hokitika Cycling Club – Committee Member	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		West Coast Treetop Walk and Tower Zipline (Employee)	Pecuniary	Potential
		Destination Hokitika – Committee Member	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
10.01.25	Cr Reilly Burden	Hokitika Lions Club	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Life Education Trust West Coast	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Love Hokitika	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Westland Delivery Ltd	Pecuniary	Potential
10.01.25	Kw. Paul Madgwick Te Runanga o Makaawhio Kaikohe	Greymouth Star and Hokitika Guardian - Editor	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Te Runanga o Makaawhio - Chairman	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Poutini Waiora – Trustee	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		One District Plan	Non-Pecuniary	N/A

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		Kotahitangia Ki te Uru (West Coast Alliance)	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Pokeka Poutini Ngai Tahu Ltd – Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
10.01.25	Kw. Francois Tumahai Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Waewae Kaitiaki	Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Waewae, Chair	Non-pecuniary	N/A
		Arahura Holdings Limited, CEO	Pecuniary	N/A
		West Coast Development Holdings, Director	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		New Zealand Institute for Minerals to Materials Research (NZIMMR), Director	Pecuniary	N/A
		Ngāi Tahu Pounamu Ltd, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Bathurst Resources Limited, Director	Pecuniary	N/A
		Pokeka Poutini Ngai Tahu Ltd - Waewae & Makarua JV Company, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Te Kura Taka Pini Ltd - Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		HW LP Ltd - Arapura Holding Limited & Hokonui Runanga JV Company, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		He Toki Ltd - Arapura Holding Limited & Chinese JV Company, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		FLCD Ltd - Family Holding Company, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Te Kere o Wairewa Ltd - Wairea Runanga Commercial Company, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Te Ara Pounamu Ltd, Director	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		West Coast Conservation Board - Ministerial Appointment, Board Member	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		West Coast District Health Board - Ministerial Appointment, Board Member	Pecuniary	N/A
		NZP District Commander Advisory Board, Board Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A

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		Development West Coast, Trustee	Pecuniary	Potential
		Kati Waewae Charitable Trust, Trustee	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Te Tuterakwhanoa Trust, Trustee	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Grey District Council, Iwi Representative	Pecuniary (Travel)	Potential
		DPRP - Governance Group - Punakaiki Development, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		West Coast Regional Council RMC, Member	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		West Coast Mayors, Chairs and Iwi Forum, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		West Coast Chief Executive Officers Forum, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		West Coast Joint Committee Civil Defence, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		West Coast One District Plan – TTPP, Member	Pecuniary	N/A
		Westport 2100 Governance Group, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		New Zealand Whitebait Limited, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Te Kinga Lake Brunner Governance Group, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		Stockton Mine Governance Group (AMD) - Treasury Appointment, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A
		SWWF - Governance Group, Member	Non-Pecuniary	N/A



RISK AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEE INTEREST REGISTER 2023

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Date	Name	Interest	Financial Interest	Type of Interest ¹
25.07.23	Rachael Dean	South Waikato DC Audit, Risk, and Improvement Committee - Independent Chair Upper Hutt City Council Risk and Assurance Committee - Independent Advisor Whangārei District Council Risk and Assurance Committee - Independent Chair Grant Thornton New Zealand - Senior Manager	Pecuniary Pecuniary Pecuniary Pecuniary	Potential Potential Potential Potential
09.09.23	Mayor Helen Last	Lash Fisheries Ltd – Director Westland Soroptimists - Patron Heritage Hokitika – Patron West Coast Mayors, Chairs and Iwi Forum – Member West Coast One District Plan (TTPP) – Member Takiwa Poutini Localities Steering Group Destination Management Plan Reference Group West Coast Housing Forum Working Group	Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary Non-pecuniary	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A
22.12.22	Cr Donna Baird	SM DR Baird Partnership	Non-pecuniary	Potential
23.02.23	Cr Patrick Phelps	Okarito Recreation Society – Chair Minerals West Coast – Manager	Non-pecuniary Pecuniary	Potential Perceived

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HOKITIKA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE INTEREST REGISTER

1. **Pecuniary** (expectation of a gain or loss of money personally), **non-pecuniary** (does not involve money)
2. Conflicts of interest can be **actual, perceived or potential**:
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22.12.22	Mayor Helen Lash	Lash Fisheries Ltd	Non-pecuniary	Nil
		Westland Soroptimists Patron	Non-pecuniary	Nil
		Heritage Hokitika Patron	Non-pecuniary	Nil
22.12.22	Cr Burden	Hokitika Lions Club	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Life Education Trust West Coast	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Love Hokitika	Non-Pecuniary	Perceived
		Westland Delivery Ltd	Pecuniary	Potential
27.08.20	Cr Paul Davidson	Westland Sports Hub User Group	Non-pecuniary	Potential
25.02.21		Commercial Building Owner, Revell Street	Pecuniary	Potential
13.04.21		Maunaia Incorporation – Daughter is Deputy Chair	Non-pecuniary	Perceived
22.12.22	Cr Ashely Cassin	West Coast Sports Awards Trust (Trustee)	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		Shining Light On The Dark (Founder)	Non-Pecuniary	Potential
		Versatile West Coast (Employee)	Pecuniary	Perceived
		Westland Heritage Celebrations Steering Group	Non-Pecuniary	Potential

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22.12.22	Cr Jane Neale	West Coast Riding for the Disabled - Committee Member - Contractor	Non-pecuniary Pecuniary	Potential Potential
		Westland Racing Club - Committee Member	Non-pecuniary	Potential
		Driftwood and Sand – Trustee	Non-pecuniary	Potential
		Westland A & P Show – Equestrian, Secretary	Non-pecuniary	Potential
		Landowner - valuation ref 2577029705 & 2577029707 Re: Contiguous Land	Potential Pecuniary	Potential
04.08.21	Ema Weepu Ngati Waewae Representative		(To be completed)	(To be completed)
04.08.21	James Russell Ngati Waewae Representative		(To be completed)	(To be completed)
22.12.22	Pauline Adams Ngati Maahaki Representative		(To be completed)	(To be completed)
04.08.21	Barry Wilson Ngati Maahaki Representative	Mahiera Incorporation – Shareholder	(To be completed)	(To be completed)

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