



Media Release

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Nominations Open for Local Government Candidates

Now is your chance to give local politics a go and have a say in the future of our district.

Nominations for candidates wishing to stand in this year's local authority elections open this Friday.

Kara Leckie, Electoral Officer, says anyone wishing to stand as a candidate for Central Otago District Council or their local community board or for Otago Regional Council, Central Otago Health Inc or the Southern District Health Board should get their nominations in now. Nominations close on Friday 20 August.

Local government and local democracy are a given to our society, where everyone gets the opportunity to be heard. The mayor and councillors take on an important leadership role in our district representing the various views of this community.

Mrs Leckie says we need a range of people of different ages and backgrounds to represent our community. Anyone over the age of 18 can stand for election as long as they are a New Zealand citizen and enrolled on the electoral roll.

Voting papers will be sent out from 17 September 2010 and must be mailed to the council by midday on Election Day, 9 October 2010.

Candidate Information Packs with nomination forms will available this Friday at all Council offices.

For further information on standing as a candidate visit the council's website www.codc.govt.nz or contact the Electoral Officer.

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