

# Nomination Paper for Candidate for the Central Otago District Council 2010 Elections



**Important**

- \* Nominations close at noon on 20 August 2010. It is preferred however that all nominations are returned prior to this date to ensure that there is time to make any corrections that may be necessary.
- \* Nominators and Candidate should read notes and additional information on the back of this paper before completing.

To: The Electoral Officer, Central Otago District Council, PO Box 122, Alexandra.

<b>A: For the Nominators to complete all sections</b>			
We, the undersigned electors of Central Otago District Council hereby nominate:			
(First Names)		(Surname)	
(Address) with his/her consent, as a candidate for the office of (see list over page) _____ the election for which is appointed for Saturday, 9 October 2010.			
1. Signature:		2. Signature:	
Full Names:		Full Names:	
Address:		Address:	
Date:	..... / ..... / 2010	Date:	..... / ..... / 2010
<b>A: For the Candidate to complete all sections</b>			
I, _____ hereby consent to the above nomination and confirm that:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I am eligible for election in terms of section 25 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 (i.e. I am a parliamentary elector and a New Zealand citizen) and in terms of any other Act, and</li> <li>• I am not disqualified by section 58 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 (see notes).</li> </ul>			
In the public notice given under section 65 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, I wish my affiliation (or other designation) to be shown as:			
_____			
(If left blank no affiliation or designation including "Independent" will be shown on the voting documents)			
I wish my name to be shown on the voting document as:			
Signature:			
Address:			
Phone No: Home:		Bus:	
Mobile:		Email:	
Candidate profile provided (circle option)   Emailed to Electoral Officer / Attached / Not Provided			
Candidate photo provided (circle option)   Emailed to Electoral Officer / Attached / Not Provided			
I understand that, in not providing a profile or photo, the words "profile/photo not supplied" will appear below my name in the Profile Booklet.			
<b>C: For the Electoral Officer to complete</b>			
Received at the hour of _____ on the _____ day of _____ 2010			
Signature:			
The receipt given in respect of this nomination paper does not constitute an acknowledgement that the nomination paper is in order. Nominations will be checked by the Electoral Officer and confirmed by email to the candidate.			

**Note:** *Nomination forms are public documents and may be inspected by any interested member of the public. Please note that contact details provided on the nomination form by candidates are supplied on request to the news media and community groups organising election-related events. However candidate Profile statements are not public information until voting papers have been posted out.*

## REVERSE OF NOMINATION PAPER – PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING NOTES

- 1 List of positions open for office are:
  - Mayor
  - Councillor for the Alexandra Ward
  - Councillor for the Cromwell Ward
  - Councillor for the Earnscliffe-Manuherikia Ward
  - Councillor for the Maniototo Ward
  - Councillor for the Roxburgh Ward
  - Member for Vincent Community Board – Alexandra Ward
  - Member for Vincent Community Board – Earnscliffe-Manuherikia Ward
  - Member for Cromwell Community Board
  - Member for Maniototo Community Board
  - Member for Roxburgh Community Board
- 2 If the election is for a ward (including community board) of a local government area the nominators must be electors of that Ward.
- 3 A nominator in the case of a candidate for district and regional council or a community board may be a residential or ratepayer elector.
- 4 A candidate cannot nominate themselves for office.
- 5 Where no affiliation is claimed, or an affiliation is disallowed by the electoral officer under section 57 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, nothing will be shown in the public notice against the candidate's name, whether or not any other candidates have claimed an affiliation. You may identify yourself as an independent candidate, i.e. "Independent".
- 6 A candidate may, under section 56 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, be nominated under a name by which the candidate is commonly known, provided that the name will not:
  - cause offence to a reasonable person
  - be unreasonably long
  - include or resemble an official rank or title
  - cause confusion or mislead electors.
- 7 Evidence of New Zealand citizenship may be requested by the electoral officer at time of candidate nomination. Acceptable evidence includes a New Zealand Passport, New Zealand Birth Certificate, or New Zealand Citizenship documentation, e.g. Certificate of Citizenship or Determination of Citizenship.
- 8 A candidate may, in accordance with section 61 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 and Regulations 26 to 29 of the Local Electoral Regulations 2001, provide a candidate profile statement including a recent photograph for dispatch to electors with the voting documents. For further information about candidate profile statements please see Attached Notes to this nomination paper.
- 9 Each nomination must include the required deposit of \$200.00 (inclusive of GST).
- 10 Nominations of candidates must be in the hands of the electoral officer not later than noon on 20 August 2010. It is preferred however that all nominations are returned prior to this date to ensure that there is time to make any corrections that may be necessary.
- 11 Under section 121 of the Local Electoral Act 2001, any person is liable to a fine of \$2,000 who:
  - (a) consents to being nominated as a candidate when knowing themselves to be ineligible for election, (for further information about candidate qualifications please see Attached Notes to this nomination paper); or
  - (b) nominates any person as a candidate whom he/she knows to be ineligible for election; or
  - (c) not being the candidate, signs any nomination paper knowing that they are not qualified to vote at the election.

## **ATTACHED NOTES TO NOMINATION FORM**

### **Candidate qualification**

Under *section 25* of the *Local Electoral Act 2001*, every parliamentary elector is qualified to be a candidate at every election held under the Act if that person is a New Zealand citizen.

### **Restrictions on candidature**

- no person may, at the same time, be a candidate for election for more than 1 ward the same local authority but may stand for more than one community board.
- no person may, at the same time, be a candidate for election to both the Central Otago District Council (as mayor and/or councillor or community board member) and the Otago Regional Council.
- Under *section 3(1)* of the *Local Authorities (Members' Interests) Act 1968*, no person can be elected to a local authority if he/she is concerned or interested in contracts over \$25,000 in any financial year, with that local authority. This restriction is waived if prior approval from the Office of the Controller and Auditor-General is obtained.
- Under *section 41(5)* of the *Local Government Act 2002* an employee of a local authority elected to that local authority must resign as an employee of the local authority before taking office as member of the local authority. This does not apply to employees of a local authority elected to a community board.

### **Right to submit a candidate profile statement (CPS)**

Every candidate may provide the electoral officer with a candidate profile statement with his or her nomination. This is a statement of up to 150 words containing information about the candidate and his or her policies and intentions if elected to office. The candidate profile statement must be true and accurate. A CPS cannot be used to comment on the policies, performance, etc, of any other candidate. The electoral officer is not required to verify or investigate any information included in this statement. The CPS must not contain bullet points.

Electronic copies of Candidate Profile Statements to the Electoral Officer are preferred. MS Word format or any txt file will be accepted. If in doubt about formatting options then please contact the Electoral Officer. Electronic copies should be emailed to the Electoral Officer [kara.leckie@codc.govt.nz](mailto:kara.leckie@codc.govt.nz) the same day the nomination form is lodged, however must be received by 12noon Friday 20 August 2010. Hardcopy versions will also be accepted.

A CPS may include a recent photograph of the candidate alone which as a general guide, has been taken within 12 months of the candidate's date of nomination. Digital photographs are preferred and can be emailed to the Electoral Officer [kara.leckie@codc.govt.nz](mailto:kara.leckie@codc.govt.nz) the same day that the nomination form is lodged. However must be received by 12noon Friday 20 August 2010. Passport photographs will also be accepted with nomination forms.

### **Distribution of candidate profile statements**

*Section 62* and *Regulation 29* requires the electoral officer to send with the voting documents, all CPSs that comply with *section 61* for each candidate in the election for a local government area or subdivision. In addition, once voting papers have been posted, a local authority may display CPSs at its offices, or service centres, and on its website in any appropriate manner.

Any failure by an electoral officer to comply with *section 62* will not invalidate the election.

**Please refer to the Candidate Information Handbook for more detailed information.**