

Hawke's Bay Trial Local Advisory Committee Appointees

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MICK LESTER (CHAIR)

Mick is community minded and focused and has served on a variety of district councils, community boards and societies in the Hawke's Bay area over the past 15 years.

He has strong connections to the community; strong communications and people skills and a good understanding of local risks and needs in both urban and rural residential zones for Central Hawke's Bay and Hastings.

Currently:

- Chairman of the NZ Community Board Executive (110 community boards across NZ)
- Chairing the ten-year review of the Central Hawke's Bay District Plan
- Rural community board - Hawke's Bay District Council

Previous experience:

- Farmer in Maraekakaho for 35 years
- Director and Deputy Chairman for Farmlands Trading Society
- President Hawke's Bay A&P Society
- 15 years as a councillor for Hastings District Council and community board member in the area
- 11 years' experience as an RMA Commissioner for more than 12 district and city councils
- Chaired the 10-year review of the district plan in Hastings
- Served as treasurer of the Maraekakaho Fire Brigade for six years. Responsible for fundraising for the new fire station.



TANIA KERR (Deputy Chair)

Tania has an impressive wealth of local community experience that has been gained in her current and previous roles on committees and advisory groups.

Tania is committed to ensuring local people, their families and their businesses interests are recognised and their voices and local experience is acknowledged. She also wants to ensure that our volunteers are valued.

She has extensive connections to the community and strong communications and people skills.

Tania has a good understanding of local risks and needs particularly in the rural areas; including risks around population density and climate change.

Currently:

- Deputy Mayor for Hastings District Council (since 2018)
- Hastings District Rural Community Board (since 2002)
- Councillor for the Hastings District Council (since 2010)
- Provincial Coordinator, Federated Farmers Hawke's Bay (since 2010)
- Trustee, Deputy Chair for Hawke's Bay Regional Sports Park (since 2015)
- Deputy Chair, Hawke's Bay Civil Defence and Emergency Management, Rural Advisory Group (since 2016)
- Chair, HDC Holding Company
- HDC appointee:
 - Regional Transport Committee (since 2012)
 - Regional Coastal Hazards (since 2015)
 - Waipatiki Reserve Management (since 2012)
 - Waste futures (since 2012)



JEREMY HARKER (Member)

Jeremy is passionate about the community and actively involved in his local community. He has strong leadership skills; is a strategic thinker and planner; has strong analytical skills and a practical approach to decision making that has been largely gained through his time in the NZ Defence Force, in both the reserves and full time force.

Jeremy has extensive connections to the community and a good understanding of local risks and needs particularly in the isolated, sparsely populated rural areas. Jeremy also understands strategic longer term macro risks around changes in population and the need for the community to be resilient through change. He has practical experience in emergency event management, response planning and execution (Christchurch Earthquake, Operation Rena – Tauranga, flood damage response in Wairoa).

Jeremy has a wide range of experience in governance, human resource management, health and safety and operational and strategic leadership across public and private sectors.

Currently:

- Wairoa District Councillor (since 2015), Chair of the Finance Audit and Risk
- Director, Health Hawke's Bay – Te Oranga Hawke's Bay Board, Chair of the Finance Audit and Risk (since 2013)
- Senior Manager, Roading and Construction Company

Previously:

- New Zealand Army
- Liaison officer to Mayor of Christchurch to support the Christchurch Earthquake Recovery
- Lead planner seconded to the NZ Police to plan and coordinate their support to Christchurch Earthquake Recovery.
- Part of the community team that developed Youth Development Program in Wairoa
- Interim chairman of the Wairoa Safe Community project
- Deputy Commander TRADOC Reserve



LEON STALLARD (Member)

Leon has an extensive background in horticulture and land use and good understanding of local risks and needs particularly in the isolated, sparsely populated rural areas. He also understands strategic longer term macro risks around changes in ethnicity of employees particularly seasonal workers, agrichemicals used, technology changes and urban lifestyle encroachment into

traditionally rural land and access to sufficient water supply for emergency purposes.

Leon is community minded and has extensive connections within the industry and in the community; strong communications and people skills. He is strategic and forward thinking; understands changing environments and the impacts this has on the ways communities do business. He is focussed on future disrupters that the rural community will encounter and that will in turn influence the future requirements of Fire and Emergency

Currently:

- Trustee/Orchard Owner (since 1994)
- Director, Horticulture NZ (since 2014)
- Trustee, NZ Fruitgrowers Charitable Trust (since 2013)
- Hastings District Council Primary Producers Round Table (since 2007)
- Trustee of the Hawke's Bay Fruitgrowers Charitable Trust (since 2001)
- President of the Fruitgrowers Association (since 2009)
- Hawke's Bay Regional Council Hort Sector Committee (since 2010)

Previously:

- President and Executive member, Hawke's Bay Fruitgrowers Association
- Trustee, Lindisfarne College
- Community Services Manager - Auckland City Council
- TANK – advisory group for water conservation



LIZ LAMBERT (Member)

Liz has strong links into the community through existing safer communities networks including Accident Compensation Corporation, Fire and Emergency New Zealand, Hawke's Bay District Health Board, Hawke's Bay Civil Defence Management Group, Health Hawke's Bay, Housing New Zealand Corporation, Ministry of Social Development, Napier City Council, Napier City Business Inc, NZ Automobile Association, NZ Police, NZ Red Cross, Te Puni Kōkiri, RoadSafe Hawke's Bay, Roopu a Iwi Trust and Te Kupenga Hauora – Ahuriri Strategic.

Liz has a strong interest in community development and planning; and enjoys working in roles that unite agencies, organisations, community groups and business to increase community participation in improving community safety. She is excited to be part of a national trial that will help shape how Fire and Emergency links with communities.

Currently:

- Safe Napier Strategic Group (Since 2011)
- Safe Communities Regional Group (Safer Hastings, Safer Napier, Safer Central Hawke's Bay and Te Wairoa He Hapori Haumaru (Safer Wairoa)

Previously:

- Flaxmere Planning Committee
- Trustee, Maraekakaho School Board (2014 - 2017)



LISA POHATU (Member)

Lisa is a critical thinker and is community focused.

She has extensive relationships with the Hawke's Bay community and an existing relationship with Fire and Emergency through her role as the Population Health Advisor for the District Health Board.

Lisa has strong connections with Māori through Marae, Mihiroa in Paki Paki and Pakowhai in Frasertown, Wairoa.

Currently:

- Population Health Advisor for District Health Board, with focus on housing
- Board Member, National Health Promotion Forum (since 2017)
- Trustee, Wharariki Trust (since 2017)
- Chair, Hawke's Bay Safekids Coalition (since 2015)
- Hawke's Bay Housing Coalition (since 2016)
- Ready to Rent Housing Programme (since 2016)
- Regional Safe Communities (since 2015)



MONIQUE HEKE (Member)

Monique has strong connections with marae and Māori communities in the Hawke's Bay local area through her role as Senior Advisor for the Ministry of Māori Development. Supports and engages whānau, hapu and iwi with Māori development aspiration and opportunities. The role has a strong relationship management focus that seeks to facilitate and broker government support towards local communities. Strong project management across a range of activities and programmes. The role presents and shares information and advice for a range of audiences, from local grassroots through to a Ministerial level. Actively looking for ways to increase information and build relationships between marae and Māori communities with other agencies and has lead and been a member of projects to support this.

Monique is a representative on a number of local community groups and has supported her own marae Omahu to attract funding to complete major renovations during her period of Trustee. She is a whānau focused, who two young daughters and resides in Flaxmere.

Currently:

- Senior advisor, Ministry of Māori Development
- Safer Napier Governance Group Member
- Te Huarahi Aratika Governance Group Member (an inter-agency collective) formed to influence positive change in the Eastern Napier Suburbs.
- Trustee, Omahu Marae (since 2011)
- Board of Trustees, Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o te Wananga Whare Tapere o Takitimu (since 2016)
- Fortnightly columnist for *Indulge* magazine

Previously:

- Trustee, Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga 2012-2015
- East Coast Better Public Service Group Member
- MKR, Semi-Finalists representing Hawke's Bay
- Co-Host of *Tradition on a Plate* (aired Māori Television)