

Invitation for alternative applications following application for establishment of a Golden Bay local board

The Local Government Commission has received a local government reorganisation application from the 'Working Group for a Golden Bay local board' for the establishment of a local board covering the area of the present Golden Bay Ward of Tasman District.

If approved, the local board would replace the existing Golden Bay Community Board.

The Commission has determined that the application meets the requirements for an application under Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act 2002. As a result, the Commission has agreed to assess the application and is now publicly notifying it and inviting alternative applications as it is required to do.

An alternative application may be made by any person, body or group, suggesting alternative arrangements for local government for the affected area. In this case, the affected area is Tasman District although alternative applications may relate to just part of the district such as Golden Bay or any other part of Tasman District.

An alternative application may not propose the abolition of Tasman District or its union with another district, or propose any changes to the boundaries of Tasman District or the functions of Tasman District Council.

A description of the required contents of an alternative application is set out in clause 10 of Schedule 3 of the Local Government Act. A link to the legislation is available on the Commission's website – see below. Alternatively, the relevant legislation can be accessed via the New Zealand Government website www.legislation.govt.nz/browse.aspx. It is likely that access to online legislation may also be obtained through assistance from staff of local public libraries.

The deadline for the Commission to receive alternative applications is Monday, 10 June 2019. Alternative applications received after that date may be declined.

All alternative applications received will be considered by the Commission along with the original application made by the 'Working Group for a Golden Bay local board'. The Commission will then identify the reasonably practicable options for the affected area, which will include existing local government arrangements, before identifying its preferred option.

Alternative applications should be addressed to:

Chief Executive Officer Local Government Commission PO Box 5362 Wellington 6145 Electronic versions of alternative applications are acceptable and may be emailed to the Commission. In this case, supplementary hard copies would be appreciated particularly for appendices and other background information difficult to read in electronic form.

A copy of the original application from the 'Working Group for a Golden Bay local board', the Commission's full decisions on the application and information on the role and powers of local boards are available on the Commission's website www.lgc.govt.nz or may be obtained from the Commission as follows:

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