

Representation Review

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Ward	Population (2023 estimate)	Councillors	Population per Councillor	% of average
Golden Bay	5,590	2	2,975	64%
Lakes-Murchison	3,990	1	3,990	91%
Moutere-Waimea	15,350	3	5,117	117%
Motueka	12,500	3	4,167	95%
Richmond	19,350	4	4,868	111%
Total	56,780	13	4,368	100%

In accordance with section 19V(2), Local Electoral Act 2001 the population that each member represents must be within the range of **4,368** +/- 10% (3,931 to 4,805), unless particular community of interest considerations justify otherwise.

The representation of the Golden Bay, **Moutere-Waimea** and Richmond General Wards falls outside the stipulated range. ... Golden Bay stuff ...

The Council proposes that the **Moutere-Waimea** and Richmond General Wards be exempt from complying with s19V(2) on the grounds provided under S19V(3)(a) that compliance would **limit** effective representation by **dividing communities of interest between wards**.

Question: what are those communities of interest?

Question: given projected growth planned for Māpua, are three councillors enough?

Question: Why are June 2023 population estimates, not actual Census 2023 counts used?

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