



# Local Elections Candidates Forum

## Invitation to Attend

Dear Candidates,

The Māpua and Districts Community Association (MDCA) and the Tasman Area Community Association (TACA) formally invite you to attend a 'Meet the Candidates Forum' being held at Mapua Community Hall, 42 Aranui Road, Mapua, on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025, with the meet-&-greet commencing at 6:30pm.

Candidates will have a set time to speak freely to the audience about why you chose to stand, what you would bring to the role if elected and what you would like to achieve for the Māpua/Tasman areas and the wider Tasman District. Mayoral Candidates will introduce themselves and speak first, followed by the Ward Councillor candidates.

Once all candidates have completed their three-minute speaking slot, each in turn will be asked to address three general questions (see Agenda).

Following the general questions, candidates will each have another 3 minutes to make their final pitch, after which there will be 10-15mins for any questions from the floor.

Doors will open at 6:30pm, the meeting ends at 9:15 pm and doors close 9:30pm

Candidates are also welcome to share their official candidate videos and/or written statements which MDCA will show/post in the lead-up to the Forum.

Candidates please R.S.V.P. your intention to attend to [chairperson@ourmapua.org](mailto:chairperson@ourmapua.org).

Candidate Name Tags will be provided at the door.

If Candidates have any questions please contact Paul McIntosh directly via email/cell.

Kind Regards

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# MDCA-TACA - Meet the Candidates Forum

Mapua Community Hall, 42 Aranui Road, Mapua

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Timing	Agenda
6:30 pm	<p>Meet &amp; Greet</p> <p><i>Tasman Mayoral candidates</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maxwell Clark</li><li>• Richard Johns</li><li>• Tim King</li><li>• Timo Neubauer</li><li>• Richard Osmaston</li></ul> <p><i>Waimea-Moutere Ward Councillor candidates</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Julian Eggers</li><li>• Mike Kininmonth</li><li>• Dean McNamara</li><li>• Dave Woods</li></ul> <p><i>Te Tai o Aorere Māori Ward (unopposed)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paul Te Poa Karoro Morgan</li></ul>
7:00 pm 5 mins	Welcome & Groundrules
7:05 pm 30 mins	Introduction: Each candidate will have 3 mins free speaking time, Mayoral followed by Ward Councillor candidates.
7:35 pm 60 mins	<p>Set Questions: Each candidate will have 2 mins to state their position on the matter at hand</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. How to bring Rates Increases under control</li><li>2. Housing &amp; Urban Development Growth – pros &amp; cons</li><li>3. Infrastructure and Discretionary Spending Priorities</li></ol>
8:35 pm 30 mins	Final Pitch: Each candidate will have a maximum of 3 mins to wrap-up and/or take questions, starting with Ward Councillors followed by Mayoral candidates.
9:05 pm 10 mins	Floor Open for Final Q&A
9:15 pm	Forum Ends
9:30 pm	Hall Doors Close