

**RESOLUTION FROM THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE MASTERTON  
DISTRICT COUNCIL HELD BY ZOOM ON WEDNESDAY 30 AUGUST AT 4.30PM**

**2021 REPRESENTATION REVIEW – INITIAL PROPOSAL** (161/21)

The report seeking Council's initial proposal for future representation arrangements for Masterton District Council for public consultation as part of the 2021 Representation Review; approval of the Communications Plan for the public consultation and confirmation that full Council will hear submissions on the 2021 Representation Review Initial Proposal was presented by the Manager Strategic Planning.

It was advised that an addition to the recommendations was required in relation to the name for each of the ward, proposing that interim Ward names are confirmed through the consultation process.

Moved Councillor B Johnson

**That Council:**

- 1. Determines the initial proposal for public consultation for Masterton District Council's 2021 representation arrangements, intended to take effect for the 2022 and 2025 local government elections, will include:**
  - a) A total of eight councillors plus the mayor.**
  - b) A mixed arrangement with four councillors elected from a General Ward; one from a Māori Ward; and three At Large.**
  - c) The General Ward and Māori Ward boundaries align with the Masterton district boundary and interim Ward names will be the "Masterton General Ward" and "Masterton Māori Ward".**
  - d) No community boards are to be established.**
- 2. Notes that wards are being proposed to enable implementation of the Māori Ward that was decided in May 2021.**
- 3. Notes that wards covering the entire district boundary are proposed as the primary geographic community of interest is district-wide with over-lapping functional, perceptual and political dimensions.**
- 4. Notes that ward names will be confirmed through the consultation process, with interim names reflecting the district wide boundary and association with Masterton**
- 5. Notes that a reduction in the number of Councillors is proposed because this will improve remuneration for Councillors and may attract more diverse candidates to stand for Council.**
- 6. Approves the Communications Plan included as Attachment 2, noting consultation will launch by 3 September 2021 and close on 4 October 2021.**
- 7. Agrees that the full Council will hear submissions on the 2021 Representation Review Initial Proposal, noting the Hearing will be held on 13 October 2021.**

Seconded Councillor F Mailman and CARRIED