

Local Advisory Committee Members – Auckland

Applications open from 25 September – 23 October 2024

3 bullet points on SEEK (80 characters max including spaces):

- Are you a leader in your community with an understanding of local risks?
- Can you actively maintain and develop your community relationships
- Keen to make a tangible difference to your community and broaden your experience

Local Advisory Committees: call for new voices

We're seeking members for the new Auckland LAC that are well connected to their community, act as a leader and can communicate across a broad range of groups. [Learn more about the committees](#) already established.

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Reflecting the diversity of community voices

E koekoe te tūi, e ketekete te kākā, e kūkū te kererū
Reflecting the diversity of community voices

This historic whakataukī reminds us that it takes a multitude of voices to create harmony

About;

Local Advisory Committees (LACs) are appointed by the Fire and Emergency New Zealand Board and provide independent advice about what their communities value, their needs, and the risks they face. The LACs help to shape the future of Fire and Emergency's support for communities by enabling us to better understand what matters to the community. [Learn more about the committees](#) already established.

By understanding the issues each community is facing, we can better support them to reduce risk, prepare for, respond to, and recover well from emergencies.

Each LAC has a Chair and Deputy Chair and typically has between 5 to 9 members. Appointments are for up to three years, with the possibility of reappointment.

The new Auckland LAC will spread from manawhai in the north, down to Bombay and will help Fire and Emergency work with communities to prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies when they happen. The committee will cover our biggest city with 1.65million people made up of over 200 ethnic groups, spread over a mix of densely populated, sprawling urban areas and large rural spaces. It is vital to the success of our LAC

that we have the right blend of people to give voice to the varied ethnic and cultural communities, businesses, commercial and industry sector's. It will cover three of Fire and Emergency's Districts – Auckland City, Counties Manukau and Waitemata.

Are you someone who:

- Is a leader in your community, well connected and can communicate with a broad range of interest groups?
- Has a good understanding of local risks and issues and has a desire to make our communities safe?
- Has governance experience and can think strategically and pragmatically about local risks and issues?
- Is known for your integrity in your local community?
- Is highly collaborative and inclusive of different views?

What is expected of committee members

- Attend all committee meetings, undertake the required preparation, and actively participate in committee discussions fully, frankly and constructively
- Actively develop and maintain community relationships so you can continue to represent the needs and risks of those communities
- Input into planning and reporting, providing a voice into how Fire and Emergency New Zealand can make a difference
- Exercise confidentiality, discretion and personal sensitivity and adhere to Fire and Emergency New Zealand policies and guidelines

Benefits for committee members

- Being able to make a tangible difference to your community by helping shape plans to reduce impacts of emergencies on your community
- Personal connections with the Fire and Emergency New Zealand Board, District management, members of your committee and committees across Aotearoa New Zealand
- Gain experience in governance

If this sounds like you, then we would love to receive your application. To apply for an LAC in your area, apply now.

Applications are open from 25 September until 23 October, and interviewing will begin in late November. Please note that the applications require a written response to questions, if you need support or would prefer providing a verbal response to be notated please let us know.

If you have any questions, please contact us at LACApply@fireandemergency.nz