

# CANDIDATE PROFILES

2018 By-election for **ONE MEMBER** of the **Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board** 

Voting papers must be completed and in the hands of the Electoral Officer no later than: 12 noon Wednesday 16 May 2018

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#### **COUCH-LEWIS** Yvette

My principal residence is NOT within the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board area.

My name is Yvette Couch-Lewis and I live at Rapaki where my family has been part of this community for five generations.

I am a management professional and am a Resource Management Act Hearings

Commissioner. I have wide ranging work experience within the areas of conservation, project and iwi management.

Currently I am a community representative on a ministerial board and represent Ngai Tahu at a governance level. I am also the Chairperson for the governance board of the Lyttelton/Whakaraupo Whaka Ora Healthy Harbour Catchment Management Plan.

As a representative on the Banks Peninsula Community Board my goals are to:

Work with people who can influence and bring about change for the betterment of the Lyttelton Community.

Demonstrate a leadership role at a governance level to enable the aspirations of the Community Outcomes to be achieved.

Place consideration on the communities social, economic and environment outcomes.

### **DIETSCHE** Paul

Independent

My principal residence is within the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board area.

We are very fortunate to live where we do and I believe we need to do everything we can to preserve this place.

I would like to see greater clarity and transparency in Community Board and Christchurch City Council activities and better communication between the Community Board and the people of our region. I believe we all have a vested interest in knowing what's happening and how the decisions made through these entities will affect us all.

If elected to the Community Board I plan to make myself as available as possible throughout the region to listen to people in order to find out what they are most concerned and interested in as well as encouraging people to attend Community Board and CCC meetings and speak up about these things. When people are not able to attend those meetings then I hope to try to speak on their behalf.

## **FIELDS** Tyrone

Labour (The People's Choice)

My principal residence is NOT within the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board area.

I'm an incredibly proud Lytteltonian.

I grew up here as part of a family that have lived in the Port for many generations. I went to school at St Joseph's, played rugby for Lyttelton and captain a local football team. I love the town deeply.

And I have the skills and experience to be the strong advocate this town needs. After working in London as a senior analyst in major financial institutions, I'm completing a Master's in Social Work so I can give back to our community.

I bring people together and build relationships. People should have a say in the decisions that affect their lives, and I want to make sure the Community Board can connect with everyone in the Port.

I believe it's important for people of my generation to get involved and contribute to the community. To work for Lyttelton would be a privilege.



## **STANBRIDGE** Ashley

My principal residence is within the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board area.

I bring a new set of eyes to the Community Board, and a new voice for our community.

I have been living in Lyttelton for eight years, and have seen a huge change in the infrastructure, businesses and people living

around Lyttelton Harbour. My partner and I are new parents, and have chosen to live in the Harbour area because of its close sense of community, and its beautiful natural environment. My professional background is in small business management, and my work is based around communicating effectively with those around me. My experience enables me to understand the requirements of those that own and work in locally owned businesses and to view the wider issues of the community as a problem solver.



#### **STRUTHERS** Robyn

**Independent Citizens** 

My principal residence is within the Lyttelton Community Subdivision of the Banks Peninsula Community Board area.

I am standing to represent Lyttelton on this Board because I am passionate about our local community and the exceptional harbour environment I live and work in.

For me, being actively involved is a way of giving back to a community that offers so much to three generations of our family. This role is about representing, and working, for you.

This by-election presents me with the opportunity to be a strong and accessible advocate for local residents and businesses.

With the recent significant growth of Lyttelton there is great responsibility to manage the pressures on infrastructure and to protect local amenities for residents.

I will work hard to ensure this progress continues in a responsible and sustainable way.

I will stand up for local interests and ensure the City Council responds to our needs.

A vote for Robyn Struthers is a vote for genuine representation. Contact me on 0274336875.

