

Register of Development Contribution Commissioners

Development Contributions Commissioners are appointed by the Minister of Local Government under section 199F of the Local Government Act 2002

| Name | Location | Biography | Current term of appointment |
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| Stephen Abley | Christchurch | Stephen Abley is the chief executive of Abley Consultants, a transport consultancy. He has extensive engineering, advisory and research experience. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Helen Atkins | Auckland | Helen Atkins is an environmental and local government law specialist at Atkins Homs Majurey law firm. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Richard Bax | Hamilton | Richard Bax is the director of Richard Bax Consulting, a civil engineering and management consultancy. He has managed various infrastructure projects for councils. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| David Caldwell | Christchurch | David Caldwell is a lawyer practicing in resource management, local government, employment law, and civil litigation. He has acted for and advised iwi and rūnanga, and understands tikanga Māori and te Ao Māori. | 2 July 2023 – 28 November 2025 |
| Fraser Campbell | Whangarei | Fraser Campbell is the director of an engineering consultancy – Campbell Consulting Limited. He has previous experience a manager at Palmerston North District Council. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Loretta Lovell | Upper Hutt | Loretta Lovell is the director of Lovell & Associates Limited law firm. She has experience in commercial, public and iwi settlement law. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Phillip (Chris) Mitchell | Waikanae | Chris Mitchell is a lawyer, with a background in economics and resource management. He has specialised in local government matters, and has acted as an advisor to several councils, developers, and community groups. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Gregory Shaw | Auckland | Gregory Shaw is the chief executive of The Consultancy Group (marine engineering) and Geotech Professionals (civil engineering). | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Mark St Clair | Wellington | Mark St Clair is the principal and co-director of Hill Young Cooper Limited, a strategic resource management, and environmental policy and planning consultancy. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Gina Sweetman | Wellington | Gina Sweetman is a consultant of Sweetman Planning Services. She has experience with local government and Māori issues through her work as a planning and policy advisor in the public and private sector. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |

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| Tania Te Whenua | Rotorua | Tania Te Whenua is the director and principal of Te Whenua Law and Consulting. She specialised in providing advice to Māori individuals and organisations for their own development. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |
| Charlie (Lou) Wickham | Auckland | Lou Wickham is a director of Emission Impossible Limited, a consultancy specialising in air quality, greenhouse gas emissions and sustainable transport management. | 2 July 2023 – 1 July 2026 |