

Role Description

Applicants will ideally have an enthusiasm for recreation Banks Peninsula/Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū. We seek applicants with a desire to embrace a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi. The Board is seeking potential Trustees with skills and knowledge in any of these key areas:

- Mātauranga Māori and a commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- Governance and chairing
- Carbon neutrality, biodiversity and restoration
- Public access negotiation and recreation management
- Legal, finance, health and safety, audit, risk
- Partnership, engagement, communications, grants, fundraising and marketing

Commitment and workload

Trustees currently meet as a full Board bi-monthly, with meetings generally held in the Whakaraupō area on a weekday evening and lasting around 3 hours, plus an annual full day Strategic Planning meeting. Trustees also participate in smaller portfolio groups focussing on particular projects or topics, and these meetings are typically held online and take place as needed. Trustees also interact via email to progress matters between meetings. Occasionally there are field trips to project sites and these may take all day if in a remote location.

Trustees operate in a governance role supported by the Trust Manager/Manahautū and Trust Administrator. Board papers are generally sent out a few days in advance and Trustees should expect to allow at least 2 hours to review papers prior to meetings and may be asked to contribute papers. Updates and information are sent out by email.

The Trust Manager/Manahautū and Trust Co-Chairs will assist new Trustees to come up to speed with the governance role, processes and the Trust's projects. Candidates should expect to allocate approximately 150-200 hours per year to the Trustee role. The position is voluntary. Meals are provided at Board meetings and expenses can be reimbursed.