

# OWN A PROPERTY IN THE THAMES-COROMANDEL DISTRICT but don't live locally?

If you pay rates on a property in a **local council area that differs from where you reside**, you may be entitled to enrol on the non-resident Ratepayer Roll for that area and **vote in the local elections.** 

This means, dependent on where your property is based, you could vote for the following positions:

Mayor

Ward Councillors

**Regional Councillor** 

- Community Board members
- And vote in the Māori ward poll

#### For example:

If you live in Auckland but own a holiday home in Whangamatā, you could take part in voting for the following positions:

- Mayor of Thames-Coromandel District Council
- Councillor/s from the South East General Ward or Te Tara o Te Ika Māori Ward Councillor (depending on whether you are on the General or Māori electoral roll)
- Whangamatā Community Board members
- Waikato Regional Councillor from the Thames-Coromandel Constituency or Nga Tai ki Uta Māori Constituency (depending on whether you are on the General or Māori electoral roll)
- And vote in the Thames-Coromandel District Maori ward poll



If you pay rates on a property in another community board within your council area you may be entitled to enrol on the nonresident Ratepayer Roll for that local council area and vote for the following positions:

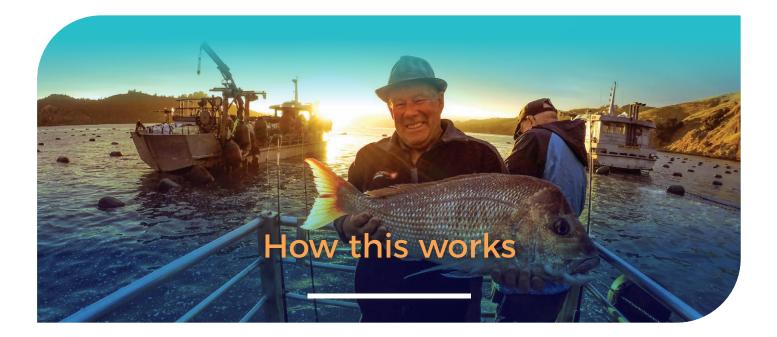
Community Board members in that area where your property is based.

## For example:

If you live in Thames but own a bach in Coromandel Town, you may be entitled to vote for the following:

Coromandel-Colville Community Board members.





The Ratepayer Roll is designed for ratepayers who live in one area and pay rates on a property in another area such as a holiday home, business property or investment property.

This roll ensures that non-resident ratepayers are able to register and vote in the area where their other property is.

# You can apply to be part of the Ratepayer Roll if:

- Your name is on the district valuation roll and you pay rates in that council area; and
- The address where you are registered as a Parliamentary elector is outside of that council area.

The roll closes on 1 August. People can still enrol after this date but will need to cast a 'special vote'.

**Note:** If multiple ratepayers are listed on the rates notice, or if the ratepayer is a company, business, trust, corporation or society, you must nominate one person must be nominated who has an interest in the property and lives outside of the area to be the nominated ratepayer elector.

# You can access enrolment forms for ratepayer electors:

- Online at: ratepayer.co.nz where you can also check your eligibility.
- From your local Council office or website: tcdc.govt.nz
- By phoning the electoral office on 09 973 5212 or 0800 922 822.





