

CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Council

MEETING DATE: 6 September 2023

TITLE: Civic Honours Awards 2023

PRESENTED BY: Grant Smith, The Mayor

APPROVED BY: Waid Crockett, Chief Executive Officer

It is recommended that this report be considered with the public excluded, as permitted by the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 under clause:

s7(2)(a) Privacy - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of a deceased person

RECOMMENDATION FOR PUBLIC RELEASE

That the names of the candidates be released following the public announcement at the 2023 Civic Awards ceremony.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

1. To award Civic honours to:

- Steve Stannard
- Stewart Harrex
- Roy Tankersley
- Jillian Spicer
- Maryanne Mechen

2. To release the decision on Civic Honour Awards on 26 October 2023, the day after the Civic Honours Awards ceremony.

1. ISSUE

Civic Honour Awards are Council's mechanism for recognising outstanding voluntary service in the community.

2. BACKGROUND

Council for the previous 30 years has sought nominations from the community for individuals deserving of recognition through a Civic Honour Award for voluntary service. A selection panel has been appointed and thirteen nominations were received and considered by the Selection Panel. Note that one nomination was void and rescinded due to the nominee being in paid employment for the services nominated for.

After consideration of the nominations, the Selection Panel has recommended that Council grant awards to:

Steve Stannard – Sports

Nominated for providing voluntary services to cycling advocacy and events such as UCI International Gravel and Tar race and community cycling in the City.

Stewart Harrex - Environment

Nominated for being an exemplary environmental advocate in the City for more than a decade as part of the Environment Network Manawatū Management Committee, including the role as Co-Chairperson.

Roy Tankersley – Arts & Culture (Music)

Nominated for his contribution to music locally, regionally and nationally as well as convening the Manawatū Organ Group. Roy also supports Saturday morning music classes for children, is a member of the Earle Creativity & Development Trust and member/performer with Musica Viva Manawatū, Royal School of Church Music and Choir Master for many Presbyterian parishes, to name a few.

Jillian Spicer - Community/Social Sector

Nominated for being a volunteer in Palmerston North for 41 years working with refugees and is the organiser for the Red Cross Annual Book sale.

Maryanne Mechen – Arts & Culture (Dance)

Nominated for services to Dance and the Performing Arts. President of the progressive Palmerston North Dance Association and active Board member of the Performing Arts Competitions Association of New Zealand (PACANZ).

3. NEXT STEPS

The Award recipients will be contacted, and steps will be taken to arrange the Civic Honours Awards ceremony and associated publicity.

4. COMPLIANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Does the Council have delegated authority to decide?	Yes
Are the decisions significant?	No
If they are significant do they affect land or a body of water?	No
Can this decision only be made through a 10 Year Plan?	No
Does this decision require consultation through the Special Consultative procedure?	No
Is there funding in the current Annual Plan for these actions?	Yes
Are the recommendations inconsistent with any of Council's policies or plans?	No
The recommendations contribute to Goal 3: A Connected and Safe Community	
The recommendations contribute to the achievement of action/actions in Connected Communities	
The action is: Run the civic awards programme	
Contribution to strategic direction and to social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being	Opportunity to acknowledge the selfless work of people in the community.

ATTACHMENTS

NIL