

Palmerston North City Council

Electing 15 Councillors



Patrick (Pat) HANDCOCK

My principal place of residence is in the Palmerston North City Council area.

Standing as an independent candidate for Council. I am married to Lynne and have three adult children.

A former Police officer, I was Palmerston North Area Commander (2003/14) achieving the city's lowest, and sustained, recorded crime rates. (Achieved through community partnerships and innovative prevention initiatives)

I have extensive strategic and leadership experience, including: Chairperson, Palmerston North Safety Advisory Board (2005/14), that included achieving World Health Organisation Safe City accreditation for Palmerston North; Twelve years School Board of Trustees, including three years as chairperson; Programme leader, Community Policing Programme in Timor Leste (2015/16); Awarded Officer, New Zealand Order of Merit for services to community and police 2016; Currently serving voluntarily on a local social services board.

I will advocate for strategies and action that encourage sustainable growth for population, infrastructure and business; Leads to better environmental outcomes; Encourage community safety, well-being and inclusiveness; Promotes collaboration and innovation; Positively highlight Palmerston North.