

PRESIDENT ROLE DESCRIPTION

Term

LGNZ's President is elected for a three-year term in the year following local government elections. The next term is from 2023-2026 (from AGM to AGM in each of those years)

Nominations for President for the 2023-2026 term opened on Thursday 13 April 2023 and will close at 5pm on Wednesday 31 May 2023.

Any elected member of a member council is eligible to be nominated.

If we receive more than one valid nomination, an election will be held at our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 26 July in Christchurch.

The President assumes office as soon as that Annual General Meeting ends. They hold office until a successor takes their place.

Role

The President chairs LGNZ's National Council. See the <u>Terms of Reference for National Council</u>. National Council meets five to six times a year plus ad hoc meetings as required. National Council members agree to a <u>Charter</u> and the President leads NC in upholding it.

The President is a key media spokesperson, influences strategy and policy, and plays a critical liaison role with members and key stakeholders. They regularly attend zone and sector meetings as well as meetings with the Prime Minister, Ministers and Opposition spokespeople, and deliver submissions.

The President and Vice President work closely with LGNZ's Chief Executive and their team, including on media engagement, strategy, policy, and broader member engagement.

Honoraria

The LGNZ President receives an honorarium payment equivalent to 33.3% of salary of the highest paid Mayor in New Zealand. Costs associated with LGNZ-related travel are also covered.