PUBLIC NOTICE OF COUNCIL RESOLUTION ON ELECTORAL SYSTEM AND OF RIGHT TO DEMAND A POLL

Pursuant to Section 28 of the Local Electoral Act 2001 (the Act) notice is given that the Matamata-Piako District Council has resolved at its meeting on **29 July 2026** to use 'First Past the Post' (FPP) as its Electoral System for the 2028 Triennial Election.

Electors have the right to demand a poll, in accordance with section 29 of the Act, to countermand this resolution.

The choice is between the FPP and the 'Single Transferable Vote' (STV) electoral systems. Unless a poll or further resolution determines otherwise, the FPP electoral system will continue to be used by Matamata-Piako District Council.

A valid demand for a poll must be:

- made in writing.
- signed by at least five percent of the number of electors enrolled as eligible to vote at the previous triennial election of the Matamata-Piako District Council (the five percent threshold from the 2025 electoral roll is 1,262 elector signatures).
- delivered to the Electoral Officer of the Matamata-Piako District Council, 35 Kenrick Street, Te Aroha 3320 by **11 December 2026.**

Every elector who signs a demand must also provide their full name and the address for which they are qualified as an elector of the Matamata-Piako District Council.

Dated at Te Aroha this 29th day of July 2026.

Manaia Te Wiata

Chief Executive