

Far North District Council
Ngā Tai o Tokerau Māori Ward
Electing 4 Councillors



Tāmāti RĀKENA

My principal place of residence is in the Ngā Tai o Tokerau Māori Ward area.

Kia ora, I am a mokopuna of Te Tai Tokerau and a raukura of Te Kōhanga Reo and Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Kaikohe. My whakapapa and upbringing in Te Ao Māori, Te Reo Māori and

Tikanga Māori have provided me with strong cultural values and experiences, which will enable me to represent you as a Māori ward councillor. I am Te Tiriti focussed and my priorities are to be an advocate for Māori rights and to improve positive social outcomes for Māori.

I am passionate about empowering Māori through education. I am a business owner, a Kaiako Reo Māori and an Academic Advisor. My formal qualifications include a Masters of Education (First Class Honours) and a Bachelor of Education, from The University of Auckland. I am also a graduate of Te Pīnakitanga ki Te Reo Kairangi and Te Aupikitanga ki Te Reo Kairangi.