

## Reference nr. 2177 : EcoCentre Kaitaia

### Trustee/s

Te Pokap? Tiaki Taiao O Te Tai Tokerau is the trust that runs the EcoCentre in Kait?ia, and is in need of 2 new trustees.

The EcoCentre is the administrative home to the following innovative programmes: Tai Tokerau TimeBank, Maara Kai o Te Hapori Community Garden, Zero Waste Te Hiku, An? An? Clothing Rescue and Kait?ia Cycle Community Composting.

The Trust celebrates 22 years of operation this year, and it has been quite a roller coaster of a history! It was originally established when there was Governmental block funding for environmental organisations . The funding is now grant based and this has required a change in focus away from large projects to smaller programmes and self funding events.

In recent years CBEC Ecosolutions and Para Kore have picked up most of the work directly with schools, kura, ECE and kohanga reo. Rather than try to duplicate that work without the funding structure, the Trust has been focusing on enabling individuals to make changes in their own lives and working towards a resilient and sustainable economy.

We have some very dedicated trustees who have seen us through some lean financial times. However there has been a noticeable shift in funding priorities and the work we're doing now is even 'on trend'! We are now in the position of having funding to pay core staff on a contract basis. We are eternally grateful to have a chartered accountant now in charge of our funding and finances which has made the operation of the Trust and all our programmes considerably steadier.

Two long serving trustees have recently indicated a desire to resign in the coming months.

The Trust Board meets once per month for approximately 2 hours. Every third meeting is in person at a venue in Kait?ia, other meetings are held via Zoom.

Does this sound like you? Refer yourself today for more info.

### Training

If needed, training for the role of Trustee will take place by working alongside existing board members. Experience is warmly welcomed.

### Specific requirements

Basic computer skills, ability to work in a team, interest in environmental and social issues. If you do not have a good internet connection at home, you can use the EcoCentre Computers/wifi to attend meetings by Zoom when required.

When:  indicates time slot options.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
<b>Morning</b>							

Duration: **Long-term**  
 Area: **Kaitaia - Te Hiku**  
 Activity: **Trusteeship and committees**

2 volunteers needed



-  Wheelchair accessible
-  Reimburse expenses
-  Reference provided after some time