## Vince Cocurullo

As your Mayor, I will be seeking and implementing solutions that include: improved inner city traffic flow with a reduction in traffic lights and installation of roundabouts; increased parking facilities; the protection of our harbour and waterways; protecting our District assets rather than selling them; the protection and enhancement of our coastal, rural and urban environments; ensuring Council portfolio holders are made accountable and that Council business dealings are transparent.

Most importantly, I will take effective action to ensure that: Council budgets are not exceeded and that budget allocations made with respect to the LTCCP are kept within the reasonable reach of our communities, without unnecessarily burdening ratepayers; all WDC contracts are awarded to LOCAL contractors and suppliers; an effective promotion campaign is created to encourage outsiders to see Whangarei as the destination of choice for all.

Whangarei District WILL benefit by electing me as Mayor.

Following three years service as a WDC councillor, *Community First* has emerged as an important Whangarei District theme. Without our people, our District is of little value. Whangarei District issues affect all residents and the opinions of all who wish to be heard, must be heard, no exceptions.

In alignment with my *Community First* policy, I believe WDC should set the example of buying local by ensuring that Council contracts go to local contractors and suppliers. We must support our own people. It's critical to our development.

My civil engineering background offers the District a practical eye, along with a commonsense approach to the issues to be addressed. With the high energy I will bring to the mayoral seat, a 'can-do' attitude, and good health, I won't be found on the sideline tiring on issues after election.

That's my promise to the District.

The public notification at close of nominations of a further six candidate



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