

Masterton District Council

Urban Ward

Electing 4 Councillors



Jim O'DOWD

I have resided in Masterton for the past 13 years, am well settled and have been involved with many club and community activities.

Before retirement I had held several high positions in both Government Service Utilities and Local Government with responsibility for Workforce, Contracts and Structure worth many millions of

dollars.

I therefore consider that I have the necessary attributes required of a Councillor.

The next Council term will be absolutely critical with the pending pressure for amalgamation of Councils to one Regional body.

We need to reap the benefits of this with better services at lower costs.

Hard, business-like decisions must be made, non-essential projects put on hold and attention paid to core services. Escalating rate increases must stop, and consideration must be given to the ageing population and the less well off.