

## Seeking a new SocialLink Tangata Tiriti Trustee

**Do you want to take on a governance role that has influence over strengthening and giving a voice for the 'for purpose' sector in the Western Bay of Plenty?**

**Do you want to join the SocialLink Board at an exciting time as SocialLink rolls out our ten year strategic plan to honour Te Tiriti by weaving Kaupapa Māori through our mahi and working in mana ōrite partnership? In this way, we build capability, confidence, sustainability, impact and a united voice across the for-purpose sector, while upholding relationships with mana whenua and enabling equitable and intergenerational well-being.**

SocialLink (Social Sector Innovation WBOP Charitable Trust) was set up in 2012 to address the need for an overarching body to raise awareness of, and support, the collective impact of the Social and Community Sector in Tauranga and the western Bay of Plenty.

The Board utilises a co-governance approach and is comprised of two caucuses - Tangata Whenua (Māori) and Tangata Tiriti (non-Māori) to reflect our commitment to a Te Tiriti partnership model.

We currently have a vacancy on the Board, for the Tangata Tiriti or non-Māori caucus. If successful you would be joining six other Trustees who bring a wealth of experience in governance, te Ao Māori, the for-purpose sector, strategy and finances. The Board meets six to seven times a year for two hours plus 30 minutes for kai and whakawhanaungatanga or relationship building prior to the hui.

We are therefore seeking expressions of interest for a new voluntary trustee with the following skills and experience (some or all):

- Knowledge of and experience in working with diverse ethnic communities
- An understanding/involvement of the social and community sector at grass roots or governance level
- An ability to demonstrate the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi
- An ability to think and engage strategically across social, community and business sectors.
- Marketing and communication experience
- Knowledge of social enterprises.

**Applications close 5 February 2026.**

Please email [office@sociallink.org.nz](mailto:office@sociallink.org.nz) if you are interested and check out [www.sociallink.org.nz](http://www.sociallink.org.nz) for more information on the organisation and the current Board.