## Far North District Council Bay of Islands-Whangaroa General Ward Electing 3 Councillors



## **Belinda WARD**

My principal place of residence is in the Bay of Islands-Whangaroa General Ward area. I am also standing for Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Community Board (Paihia Subdivision).

I have lived in the BOI area for 40 years working in the sustainable eco-tourism sector. My interest

in community, connectivity & a sense of belonging lead me to the governance role I hold today as Chair of the BOI-Whangaroa Community Board.

If elected I will stand by my principles of effective engagement, partnerships & inclusiveness when representing & advocating on behalf of the people who call this place home. I acknowledge the challenges, diversity & resillience within our communities & will continue to encourage & support appropriate community development. I have the time, energy & passion required to attend workshops & meetings to assist communities in achieving their desired solutions & outcomes.

In these rapidly changing times we must remain mindful of people & their wellbeing in all decision making processes. This will require a collaborative team effort & I am up for the challenge.