

# Corporate Governance Statement

For the year ended 30 June 2024

### Port of Tauranga Limited



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# **Committed to effective governance**

The Board of Directors (the Board) and the senior management team of Port of Tauranga Limited believe good corporate governance is essential to the creation, protection and enhancement of shareholder value.

The Board is committed to ensuring the company meets best practice governance principles and maintains the highest ethical standards in serving the interests of Port of Tauranga stakeholders, including shareholders, employees, customers and the wider community.

The Board is responsible for setting the company's strategic direction, providing oversight of its management and directing business strategy, with the aim of increasing shareholder value. A planned programme of meetings and strategy days gives the Board the opportunity to share thoughts and challenge the management team on business direction and strategy execution. The Board examines how long-term value drivers are being managed, including investment in assets, building engagement with employees, iwi and the community, satisfying customers,

enhancing environmental performance, and protecting and building the company's reputation.

The company's corporate governance practices adhere to the NZX Main Board Listing Rules (NZX Rules) and guidance, including the NZX Corporate Governance Code (updated April 2023). The Board regularly reviews and assesses the company's governance structures, processes and policies to ensure they are consistent with best practice.

The Board's policies and charters are available on the governance page of the investors section of the company's website: www.port-tauranga.co.nz/investors/governance

This statement was approved by the Board on 22 August 2024.



# Board composition, performance and committees



The Board has the ultimate responsibility for all decision making within the company. The roles and responsibilities are set out in the Board Charter, which is available on the company website: www.port-tauranga.co.nz/investors/governance.

The Board meets its responsibilities by meeting regularly to receive reports and plans from management and through its annual work programme. The Board undertakes "deep dives" into key issues and uses committees to address those areas that require detailed consideration by Directors with specialist knowledge and experience. The Board retains ultimate responsibility for the functions of its committees and determines their responsibilities.

Delegated authorities establish the responsibilities devolved to management and those retained by the Board. The delegated authorities are subject to review and approval by the Board annually. The Chief Executive has responsibility for the proper exercise of and compliance with the delegation policies.

#### Director nominations and appointments

The Board seeks to appoint Directors with a range of skills, perspectives, knowledge, competencies and experiences.

The Nomination Committee assists the Board to review Board composition, performance and succession planning by identifying, evaluating and recommending candidates.

When considering an appointment, the committee undertakes a thorough check of the candidate and their background. Shareholders are notified and provided with all material information that is relevant to the decision on whether to elect or re-elect a Director. A Director Tenure and Reappointment Policy applies to Board Directors other than those appointed by Quayside Holdings. The Chair facilitates a formal process to determine the support or otherwise for Directors who offer themselves for re-election. The policy establishes a nine-year or three-term tenure for nonexecutive Directors, unless the Board and shareholders support a further term.

#### Composition/independence

The Board comprises seven Directors, five of whom are independent including the Board Chair. Due to managing Director succession, there may be periods when the Board comprises eight members as a transitional arrangement.

Director profiles are provided in the 2024 Integrated Annual Report and on the company website: www.port-tauranga.co.nz/about-port-of-tauranga/boardof-directors/. The profiles list the year of appointment, skills, experience and background of each Director, as well as their current Board appointments.

The positions of Chair of the Board and Chair of the Audit Committee are held by independent Directors. These two roles, and the role of Chief Executive, are all held by different individuals. The Chair has been assessed as independent by the Board. Directors' current length of tenure is:

	0-3	4-6	7-9	9+
	years	years	years	years
Number of Directors	3	1	2	1

#### Skills and experience

Our Board is diverse, and Directors bring a wide range of skills and experience to the table to the benefit of the company.

The Board has determined that to operate effectively and meet its responsibilities, it requires competencies in disciplines including governance, executive leadership, financial, sector experience, customer management, regulatory compliance, large capital project investment, risk management, iwi, government and stakeholder relations, technology and digital, broad commercial acumen and sustainability.

The Board comprises five independent and two non-independent Directors (appointed by Quayside Holdings). While the Board has no direct control over the appointments of the non-independent Directors, it provides the skills matrix to the shareholder and highlights the preferred skill sets.

The Board regularly reviews the Board's skills matrix. The most recent review undertaken was in June 2024.

Skill	Combined Board
Governance – experience including publicly listed companies	y
Executive leadership – proven operating experience as a CEO or member of senior leadership team of a large and complex relevant business	
Financial – accountancy/finance qualification or similar experience	
Sector experience – in port/shipping/ supply chain/transport	
Customer management – understanding of global importing/exporting dynamics	
Regulatory compliance – including experience with H&S, RMA and FMA requirements	
Large capital project investment – understanding of contract management	
Risk management – ability to identify business risks and risk mitigation strategies	
lwi, government and stakeholder liaison – ability to assist the CEO engaging with stakeholders and government officials (including key politicians)	
Technology and digital	
Broad commercial acumen	
Sustainability	
Substantial Moderate experience	Some experience

#### Diversity

The Board is committed to providing a workplace that recognises and values different skills, abilities, genders, ages, beliefs, ethnicities, and experiences. The Board is committed to creating an inclusive workplace where all employees feel included and valued, and to providing equal employment opportunities, with all appointments merit-based.

Port of Tauranga's Diversity and Inclusion Policy applies to the Board, management and all employees and sets out the philosophy, roles, processes, and initiatives for measuring progress towards achieving the objectives of the policy. The People and Remuneration Committee oversees diversity and inclusion at Port of Tauranga.

Port of Tauranga is yet to reach the gender diversity targets set by the Board. The organisation's progress is set out in the table below. The numbers related to Port of Tauranga's permanent employees, and does not include casual employees, contractors or consultants.

The company's objective is to target a minimum of 40% females and 40% males holding Director, senior management and manager level positions. In 2024, the company had 20% females and 80% males holding these positions. The Board and management are actively working towards closing any gaps in skills and diversity objectives.

	As at 30 5 Female %	June 2024 Male %	As at 30 Female %	June 2023 Male %
Non-independent Directors*	0	100	0	100
Independent Directors	40	60	40	60
Executives/senior management	29	71	29	71
Management	20	80	18	82
Permanent employees	19	81	20	80
Total	20	80	22	78

\* Directors appointed by Quayside Holdings.

#### **Director training**

Port of Tauranga supports the ongoing development of the Board. Copies of all relevant company documents are provided to Directors and new Directors are familiarised with the industry and company operations.

Directors visit Port operations and make safety-related inspections, and work in conjunction with the Port of Tauranga health and safety team to align these assessments with critical risks, and ensure engagement with employees.

#### Performance

The Board monitors its effectiveness in carrying out its functions and responsibilities and uses external facilitators to review knowledge and performance.

#### Committees

Committees support the Board by providing input and detail on specific matters and by having subject matter experts provide specialist advice.

As at 30 June 2024, there were four committees – Audit, Board Health and Safety, People and Remuneration, and Nomination. Committees operate under respective charters approved by the Board, and each Committee's proceedings are reported back to the Board.

The Chief Executive, Chief Financial Officer and other senior managers regularly attend Board meetings, as well as committee meetings by invitation.

#### **Audit Committee**

#### Chair: Alastair Lawrence

Committee members: Alison Andrew, Sir Robert McLeod KNZM\* Brodie Stevens, Fraser Whineray<sup>†</sup> Ex-officio: Julia Hoare \*Resigned 31 October 2023

tAppointed 31 October 2023

The Audit Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities on the financial reporting process, the internal controls and management of financial risks, and the audit process (including assurance on regulatory requirements such as Climate-related Disclosures). The committee provides an independent reporting line for the Chief Financial Officer and external auditors (together or separately) as the Chair of the Audit Committee considers appropriate. The Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer attend the committee's meetings.

The Audit Committee Charter requires that the committee should be of sufficient size, independence and technical expertise to discharge its mandate effectively. The Chair is appointed by the Board and is not the Chair of the Board. The committee is compliant with the other obligations imposed by NZX Rules.

#### **People and Remuneration Committee**

Chair: Alison Andrew

# Committee members: Dean Bracewell, Julia Hoare, Doug Leeder

The People and Remuneration Committee oversees remuneration policies and practices, executive remuneration packages, diversity and inclusion progress and succession planning. The committee approves performance criteria for the Chief Executive and recommends to the Board incentive payments or other adjustments. The committee also reviews Board remuneration, which is subject to Board and shareholder approval.

The committee engages independent, external experts to provide benchmarking to an agreed comparison group when reviewing both executive remuneration and Director fees.

The committee comprises at least three members, each of

#### whom are non-executive and independent of management. The committee is compliant with these requirements.

The Chief Executive and General Manager Corporate Services attend the committee's meetings.

#### **Nomination Committee**

#### Chair: Julia Hoare

Committee members (full Board): Alison Andrew, Dean Bracewell, Alastair Lawrence, Doug Leeder, Sir Robert McLeod KNZM\*, Brodie Stevens, Fraser Whineray<sup>†</sup> \*Resigned 31 October 2023. †Appointed 31 October 2023.

The Nomination Committee reviews Board composition, performance and Director succession planning.

The Nomination Committee also develops the appropriate process for evaluating the performance of the Board, its committees and the Chair. It makes determinations on an ongoing basis on the independence status of all Directors in accordance with NZX Rules and ensures letters of engagement are in place.

The Chief Financial Officer attends the committee's meetings.

#### Board Health and Safety Committee

Chair: Dean Bracewell

#### Committee members: Julia Hoare, Brodie Stevens

The Board Health and Safety Committee was established in July 2023 to assist the Board in gaining an in depth understanding of the organisations health and safety management systems, risk profiles and practices. The committee meets quarterly and reviews strategic health and safety initiatives, improvement plan advancement, as well as deep dives into critical risk management followed by in-field assurance reviews. This allows the committee to evaluate key objectives and related action plans, assess risk control effectiveness, and experience workplace culture through worker engagement.

The Chief Executive and the General Manager Health and Safety attend the committee's meetings.

#### Meetings attendance

Director	Board	Audit	People and Remuneration	Nomination	Board Health and Safety
Ms A M Andrew	7	3	4	3	
Mr D J Bracewell	7	1	4	3	3
Ms J C Hoare	7	3	4	3	3
Mr A R Lawrence	6	3		3	
Mr D W Leeder	6		4	3	
Sir Robert McLeod KNZM*	3	1		2	
Mr F S Whineray <sup>†</sup>	4	2		1	
Mr J B Stevens	6	3		3	3
Total meetings held	7	3	4	3	3

\* Sir Robert retired 31 October 2023.

† Mr Whineray appointed 31 October 2023.

Note: the above table covers the period of the financial year from 1 July 2023 through to 30 June 2024.

# **Ethical behaviour**

#### Code of Ethics

The Code of Ethics outlines the ethical and behavioural standards expected of Directors, senior management and employees in relation to conduct, conflicts, proper use of assets and information.

The Code of Ethics is included in the Director induction and Directors are required to confirm that it has been read and understood.

The Whistleblowing Policy sets out the procedure for reporting concerns regarding a breach of the Code of Ethics, or any other serious wrongdoing within the company.

Both the Code of Ethics and Whistleblowing Policy are available on the company website:www.port-tauranga.co.nz/investors/governance.

The Board has an Insider Trading Policy which sets out the procedures that must be followed by Directors, executives and any other employees with inside information when purchasing or selling company securities. The fundamental rule is that insider trading is prohibited at all times. The requirements of the policy are separate from, and in addition to, the legal prohibitions on insider trading in New Zealand.

It is not a requirement of appointment that Directors own shares in the company. However, Directors are encouraged to do so. Directors' and executives' ownership interests are disclosed below.

#### Interests register

The matters set out below were recorded in the interests register of the company during the financial year.

#### General notice of interest by Directors

As at 30 June 2024:

Director	Interest	Entity
Alison Moira Andrew	Chief Executive Officer (to 30 June 2024)	Transpower New Zealand Limited
Dean John Bracewell	Chair (designation changed from Director effective 3 April 2024)	Property for Industry Limited
	Director	Air NZ Limited
	Director	Halberg Trust
	Director (to 31 March 2024)	Tainui Group Holdings Limited
	Director/Shareholder	Ara Street Investments Limited
	Director/Shareholder	Dean Bracewell Limited
	Shareholder	Freightways Limited
Julia Cecile Hoare	Director	Auckland International Airport Limited
	Director (to 31 August 2024)	Comvita Limited
	Director	Meridian Energy Limited
	Director	Northport Limited
	Director	Port of Tauranga Trustee Company Limited
	Director	PrimePort Timaru Limited
	Member	Chapter Zero New Zealand Steering Committee
Alastair Roderick Lawrence	Chair	Brittain Wynyard Limited
	Director/Shareholder	Antipodes Properties Limited and subsidiaries
	Director/Shareholder	CBS Advisory Limited
	Director/Shareholder	Olrig Limited
	Director/Shareholder	Retail Dimension Limited
	Trustee	JAB Hellaby Trust
Douglas William Leeder	Chair	Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Sir Robert Arnold McLeod KNZM	Chair	Nati Growth Limited (formerly Ngāti Porou Holding Company Limited)
(retired as at 31 October 2023)	Chair	Quayside Holdings Limited (and Quayside Properties Limited and Quayside Securities Limited)
	Chair	Sanford Group
	Director	AZSTA NZ Limited
	Director	China Construction Bank (New Zealand) Limited
	Director	MSJS NZ Limited
	Director	Point 76 Limited
	Director	Point Guard Limited
	Director	Point Seventy Limited
	Director	Nati Properties Limited (formerly Real Fresh Limited)
	Director	Singita Holdings Limited
	Director	Singita Investments Limited
	Director	VCFA NZ Limited
John Brodie Stevens	Director	Chatham Island Shipping Limited
	Trustee	Maritime Kiwisaver Scheme
	Trustee	Maritime Retirement Scheme
Fraser Scott Whineray	Independent Director	AgriZero, Centre for Climate Action
(appointed 31 October 2023)	Director	Quayside Holdings
	Director	Waste Management NZ Limited (owned by Igneos, private equity)
	Visiting Fellow	Judge Business School, University of Cambridge
	Trustee	St Cuthbert's College

#### Directors' loans

There were no loans by the company to Directors.

#### Directors' insurance

The company has arranged policies of Directors' liability insurance which, together with a Deed of Indemnity, ensures that generally Directors will incur no monetary loss as a result of actions undertaken by them as Directors. Certain actions are specifically excluded, such as the incurring of penalties imposed as a result of breaches of the law.

# **Reporting and disclosure**

Port of Tauranga is committed to promoting investor confidence and trust by providing robust, accurate and complete information in a timely and open manner, in accordance with NZX Rules. This commitment is supported by a Continuous Disclosure and Communications Policy, available on the company website: www.port-tauranga.co.nz/investors/governance.

The company's Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary is responsible for ensuring the timely release of information to the market. Port of Tauranga Limited undertakes to notify the market immediately through the NZX of any material information and abide by any NZX guidance as to whether a trading halt may be required.

Directors formally consider at each Board meeting whether there is relevant material information that should be disclosed to the market. All employees of Port of Tauranga Limited are responsible for reporting immediately, to the Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer, any information that is, or is likely to be, material.

Any announcements are published on Port of Tauranga's website (www.port-tauranga.co.nz) and disseminated through broadcast emails and media releases.

#### Supplier Code of Conduct

Companies operating at Port of Tauranga are expected to abide by all relevant legislation and regulations, including the Health and Safety at Work Act. Policies, procedures and operating rules are listed on the company website.

In addition, suppliers and subcontractors are required to meet the expectations outlined in the Supplier Code of Conduct regarding their social, environmental and ethical business practices. The Code addresses business integrity, health and safety, labour and human rights, protection of the environment and sustainability.

Port of Tauranga has a proactive investor relations programme involving twice-yearly briefing sessions for analysts and investors to provide background to previously disclosed information. Investors are also able to tour the port following the Annual Meeting each year, or during the public port tours held in January and July.

Comprehensive financial and non-financial disclosures are published in the company's Integrated Annual Report, including Port of Tauranga's material exposure to environmental, economic, and social sustainability risks and other key risks. Shareholders can elect to receive an electronic or hard copy of Port of Tauranga's Integrated Annual Report. However, the company encourages investors to support its commitment to the environment by opting for electronic communications.

The company describes its carbon emissions profile in a greenhouse gas inventory report, which is audited externally. Highlights from this report are disclosed in the company's Integrated Annual Report and, from 2024, will be incorporated into its Climate-related Disclosures Report. The Port's first Climate-related Disclosures Report will be published in September 2024 and will comply with new mandatory standards prescribed by the New Zealand External Reporting Board and overseen by the Financial Markets Authority.

### **Risk management**

The Board and senior management recognise risk management as an integral part of good management practice and an essential component of good governance. Risk management adds value to the operations of the company by identifying and mitigating events and threats that would otherwise impede the achievement of our objectives and/or the continued effectiveness of the company's service to customers and communities.

The Company's Enterprise Risk Policy:

- Establishes enterprise-wide commitment and responsibility for risk management
- Promotes a risk-aware culture where all staff understand and proactively manage risks in order to achieve corporate objectives, protect people, assets and the environment and to ensure POTL has sustainable financial earnings
- Establishes a systematic and structured approach to integrate risk management into all of POTL's activities, including governance, decision-making and reporting
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• Establishes a systematic and structured approach to integrate risk management into all of POTL's activities, including governance, decision-making and reporting.

The company's comprehensive risk management programme comprises a series of processes and guidelines that enable it to identify, assess, monitor and manage business risk. The programme is overseen by the Board and includes monitoring the company's compliance with laws and regulations and a robust IT risk assessment process which includes penetration testing and cyber monitoring. The risk management programme is supported by:

- A robust risk governance framework
- A strong and experienced management team
- A risk identification framework and tools, including a company risk register
- An annual external specialist risk advisor review and support
- Adequate external insurance cover, reviewed annually
- Internal audit practices.

The Board considers the identification, understanding and control of core risks to be a whole-of-Board function. As such, it is not delegated to the Audit Committee but regularly reviewed by all Directors. Regular reviews are designed to establish an integrated and forward-looking perspective of the company's risk landscape including the internal and external environment, changes in likelihood and consequence ratings, and the business unit risk profiles. Both specific risks and any broader linkages are considered.

The Chief Executive is responsible for promoting proactive risk management, reporting to the Board, and managing

#### Significant risks

Description Potential consequence Mitigation strategies and key controls Health, safety • Bow Tie Assessments for critical risks. These inform clear operating • The company operates in a complex multi-person and wellbeing conducting a business or undertaking (PCBU) standards and procedures environment, where the ability Internal training in safety procedures to control, direct or influence depends · Qualified well trained employees and contractor on the status of the relationship Strong proactive employee engagement via internal Safety Committee, Port Users Health, Safety and Environment Forum, • While the Port has established comprehensive Health and Safety practices, there is still the and use of Learning Teams possibility that workers may be exposed to serious • A regular external review (audit) of health and safety practices harm while undertaking their roles and Board, manager and worker participation (SafePlus) · An incident may negatively impact • A critical risk assurance programme to enable Board our reputation or brand (even if it is not and management to monitor lead and lag indicators, incidents, a company worker). investigations and outcomes • Maintain relationships and collaborate with key contractors • Maintain relationships with regulators and key industry bodies • Member of the Port Industry Association Leadership Group Implemented a wellbeing work plan and have achieved gold accreditation status. • The measurement of the company's carbon footprint and Social licence Stakeholders' concerns about the environment linked to the way the Port operates in the to operate management of climate-related risks and opportunities natural environment Monitor and ensure compliance with the standards the Port sets for Stakeholders' perception that there is insufficient operations within its boundaries engagement with the wider community Increased air quality monitoring and improved use of technology • Consequences of impact on the company brand to reduce dust and reputation and finances Stormwater management activities such as increased log yard Protests, boycotts, or community opposition sweeping, debarking and resourcing can lead to disruptions in operations or harm Marine fleet is maintained to enable emergency response, i.e. fire to our people. fighting response for tugs • Formal and informal engagement with the community including the councils, various community groups, education institutions, iwi and other interest groups · Increased engagement and collaboration with local councils Conservation enhancement projects in place through the Ngā Mātarae Charitable Trust • Maintain collaborative relationships with port users including lessees, customers and suppliers, and ensure all operating requirements are understood and complied with · Undertake proactive communication across a range of channels, including social media, to educate about improvements and other community activities the Port undertakes · Sponsorship strategy to align opportunities to support local community activities. Legal and • Government (national, regional or local) actions Adherence to laws and regulation changes regulatory risk negatively influence or restrict operations, e.g. Maintain strong relationships with all levels of government significant changes to labour laws or resource and the regulators management laws and regulations • Use of specialist legal services when required • Failure to comply with regulatory requirements Skilled and expert workforce knowledgeable about regulatory may result in legal action, financial penalties and requirements restrict operations • Maintain collaborative and constructive relationships with • Any potential legislative change that may arise as our employees and the three unions that approximately 50% a result of the Government's Upper North Island of employees are members of. Supply Chain Study. • The loss of key infrastructure, physical operations · Measurement and management of the Port's climate-related physical Climate change/ natural disaster or IT systems due to a natural disaster event risks and opportunities risks, and transition risks and opportunities, event as outlined in the Port's Climate-related Disclosures Report (to be · Inability to deliver Port services, causing backlog and supply chain disruptions published annually from September 2024) · Potential loss or displacement of employees. • Business continuity and crisis management planning including simulations and testing of the Port's response capability are undertaken IT disaster recovery capability, including back-up generation is in place and tested annually Multiple redundancies built into business model Insurance protection reviewed and updated annually • Civil Defence response support and assistance is provided.

any changes to the rating of the enterprise risk. The General Manager Corporate Services is responsible for providing and management of the risk framework.

The significant risks described below have the potential to impact our ability to achieve our growth and business objectives and create value in the short, medium or long-term. They reflect the material issues identified by our stakeholders.

	Potential consequence	Mitigation strategies and key controls
Commercial and • business risk due to global economic or geo-political situations and global pandemics/ health crises	• Exposure to international market dynamics beyond control of the Port: trade protectionism, other geo-political situations and global pandemics/health crises impacts on demand, commodity cycles, and exchange rate volatility creates uncertainty.	<ul> <li>The business plan focuses on building resilience through long term partnerships, diversification of the business and instilling sound commercial discipline and practice</li> <li>The global situation is monitored and action can be taken at relatively short notice</li> <li>Our business model has inherent flexibility at group level</li> <li>Business continuity and crisis management plans are in place and regularly tested</li> <li>Public health emergency contingency plan.</li> </ul>
cyber attack	<ul> <li>The loss of key (specialised) computer systems, processes, telecommunications and security systems</li> <li>Disclosure of private or sensitive data.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Outsourced security operations centre monitoring network 24/7</li> <li>Systems' security is externally reviewed and tested</li> <li>Significant investment in cyber security defensive systems and capabilities</li> <li>Annual IT Security Assurance Programme in place, including penetration testing and maturity assessments</li> <li>Business continuity and disaster recovery management plans are in place and these systems are regularly tested.</li> </ul>
or grounding	<ul> <li>Asset infrastructure damage and significant business disruption</li> <li>Closure of the shipping channel causing disruption to commercial and recreational activity</li> <li>Potential harm to people in the event of a collision.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Highly trained and experienced marine team</li> <li>The Port has well defined shipping parameters monitored via systems with alerts when conditions reach the predefined limits</li> <li>Marine operations are managed through the Navigational Safety Management System which is governed by the Port and Harbour Safety Code and administered by the Harbourmaster</li> <li>The deepening and widening of the channel lessens the risk for the majority of vessels</li> <li>Tug boat escort protocols for arriving and departing vessels</li> <li>Increased towage capacity and conservative operating practices further assist in lessening the risk</li> <li>Revised and recent crisis management exercises targeting marine incidents.</li> </ul>

#### Health and safety

The progressive improvement of health and safety performance is a key Board and management objective, to ensure the company conducts its operations in such a way as to protect the health and safety of all employees of the company and its subsidiaries, contractors, the public and visitors in its work environment.

While the Board has delegated day-to-day responsibility for the implementation of health and safety standards and practices to management, the Board provides oversight and direction while ensuring appropriate resources are available to employees

to conduct their work safely. In July 2023, the Board established a Health and Safety Committee to enhance its governance of the health and safety function of the Port. The Board is committed to ensuring the company provides sufficient, competent resources and effective systems at all levels of the organisation to enable it to fulfil its commitment to employees, customers, shareholders and stakeholders.

Further information is included in the Our People section on pages 29 to 33 of the 2024 Integrated Annual Report.

# Remuneration

#### Directors' remuneration

Non-executive Directors' remuneration is paid in the form of Directors' fees as determined by the Board. Setting of fees is subject to periodic review and independent expert advice against comparable size and performing companies. The Director Fee Policy is to set Director fees to the median of this market. The People and Remuneration Committee considers Directors' fees annually and recommends adjustments to the Board. The last external review was undertaken in 2023 and reviews are planned to be undertaken biennially.

The aggregate pool of fees able to be paid to Directors is subject to shareholder approval and is currently \$1,125,000.

Port of Tauranga meets Directors' reasonable travel and other costs associated with the business.

Port of Tauranga Directors' fees are:

Designation	Directors' Fees \$
Chair	195,000
Directors	98,500
Audit Committee Chair	20,000
Audit Committee member	12,000
People and Remuneration Committee Chair	20,000
People and Remuneration Committee member	12,000
Board Health and Safety Committee Chair	20,000
Board Health and Safety Committee member	12,000

No fees are paid to the Nomination Committee.

Directors' fees received during the 2024 year\* were:

Director	Board \$	Audit \$	People and Remuneration \$	Board Health and Safety \$	Total 2024 \$
Ms A M Andrew	96,875	11,937	18,750		127,562
Mr D J Bracewell	96,875		10,906	20,000	127,781
Ms J C Hoare	191,250		10,906	12,000	214,156
Mr A R Lawrence	96,875	20,000			116,875
Mr D W Leeder	96,875		10,906		107,781
Sir Robert McLeod KNZM**	31,118	3,926			35,044
Mr F S Whineray <sup>†</sup>	65,757	6,527			72,284
Mr J B Stevens	96,875	11,938		12,000	120,813
Total	772,500	54,328	51,468	44,000	922,296

\* Amendments were made to the Directors' fees during the year.

\*\* Sir Robert retired 31 October 2023.

t Mr Whineray appointed 31 October 2023.

Remuneration paid to Directors in their capacity as Directors of Port of Tauranga Limited subsidiaries during the year are:

Director	Subsidiary	Fees \$
Ms J C Hoare	Northport Limited (Director)	35,000
Ms J C Hoare	PrimePort Timaru Limited (Director)	40,416
Total		75,416

Any fees paid to Port of Tauranga permanent employees appointed as Directors of subsidiaries are paid to the company, not the individual.

Non-executive Directors have no entitlement to any performance-based remuneration and they do not participate in any share-based incentive schemes. A non-executive Director is not entitled to receive a retirement payment.

Non-executive Directors are encouraged to be shareholders but are not required to hold company shares. Details of Directors' shareholdings are listed on page 16.

#### **Executive remuneration**

Port of Tauranga provides a remuneration framework that promotes a high-performance culture and aligns rewards to the creation of sustainable value for shareholders.

Port of Tauranga's remuneration philosophy is aimed at attracting, retaining, and motivating employees of the highest quality at all levels of the organisation. It is based on practical guiding principles and a framework that provides consistency, fairness, and transparency. The guiding principles include:

- Providing clear alignment with company values, culture, and strategy
- Supporting the attraction, retention, and motivation of employees
- Being clear, fair, equitable and flexible
- Reflecting market conditions
- Recognising individual competence and performance
- Recognising team and company performance and the creation of shareholder value.

All remuneration packages are reviewed annually in the context of individual and company performance, market movements and expert advice, and are benchmarked externally biennially.

Through the People and Remuneration Committee, the Board establishes the policies and practices for executive remuneration. Port of Tauranga's remuneration for the Chief Executive and nominated executives provides the opportunity to receive, where performance merits, a total remuneration package in the mid to upper quartile for equivalent market-matched positions. Total remuneration is made up of three components: fixed remuneration, a short-term incentive (STI) and a long-term incentive (LTI). Both incentives are at-risk, with the outcome determined by performance against a combination of agreed financial and non-financial objectives.

#### **Fixed remuneration**

Fixed remuneration is determined in relation to the market for comparable sized and performing companies.

It includes all benefits, allowances, and deductions. Port of Tauranga's policy is to pay fixed remuneration at the median of its peer group. Adjustments are not automatic and are determined based on performance.

#### Short term incentives

STIs are at-risk payments linked to the achievement of annual financial, safety and strategic targets, individualised to each role. They are designed to motivate and reward for performance in that financial year. The target value of the STI is set as a percentage of the fixed remuneration. For the 2024 financial year, the Chief Executive's STI was set at 50% and for all nominated executives it was set at 40%.

For the 2024 financial year, there were seven nominated executives included in the STI scheme, the same as the previous year.

For the Chief Executive, 60% of the STI is linked to the company's financial performance, with the actual opportunity in the range of 0-110% (i.e. 0-66% of fixed remuneration). The remaining 40% comprised agreed safety and strategic objectives. Annual objectives are set by the People and Remuneration Committee (and approved by the Board) and closely align to the company's strategic aspirations.

The financial objective is to meet or exceed the normalised net profit after tax target. A threshold of 90% of target is required before any of the financial component is paid.

The Board retains complete discretion in paying an STI and may determine, despite the actual performance against objectives, that a reduced STI or no STI will be paid in a given year.

#### Long term incentives

The LTI is an at-risk payment designed to align executives' rewards with the growth in shareholder value over a three-year period.

The LTI is a Performance Share Rights Plan (PSR), where payments are made in shares rather than cash. The maximum number of shares an executive may receive as an allocation is determined by dividing the value of the grant less tax by the face value of a Port of Tauranga share at the grant date. The 2022 LTI (allocated on 1 July 2021), which vested at the end of the 2024 financial year, was set at 55% of fixed remuneration for the Chief Executive and up to 33% of fixed remuneration for the nominated executives. The value of each allocation is set at the date of the grant.

The plan's performance hurdles are based on two metrics. The first 50% is Port of Tauranga's three-year Total Shareholder Return (TSR), relative to the performance of the NZX50 (less Australian companies listed in New Zealand). The second 50% is measured by achieving target compound earnings per share (EPS) growth.

TSR percentile ranking %	Earned %
Below 40	0
Above 40 to below 50	40-50
Above 50 to below 75	50-99
At 75 or above	100

EPS three year compound annual growth rate %	Earned %	
0	0	
3.5	50	With straight line progression between 0% and 3.5%
7.0	100	With straight line progression between 3.5% and 7%
8.0	110	With straight line progression between 7% and 8%
9.0	120	With straight line progression between 8% and 9%

As with the STI, the Board retains absolute discretion over the payment of the LTI to participants.

#### Chief Executive remuneration

Performance pay <sup>t</sup>					
Year	Fixed remuneration* \$	STI \$	LTI \$	Subtotal \$	۳ Total remuneration \$
FY2024	963,000	387,000	100,544	1,450,544	1,505,446
FY2023	900,000	333,750	74,458	1,308,208	1,350,971

\* Fixed remuneration includes the value of any benefits (health care, superannuation or vehicle) taken. The Chief Executive participates in the company's health insurance scheme. † Performance pay was earned over previous periods but paid in the current financial year.

ß Total remuneration includes payments that arise from calculating actual holiday pay according to New Zealand legislation.

Total remuneration paid includes fixed remuneration and the short and long-term performance payments paid or vested during the year. Performance payments are actually those earned in prior periods. There will be a change in Chief Executive Remuneration reporting for the next financial year. Reporting will show total remuneration earned in the financial year, rather than paid as currently shown.

#### Chief Executive performance pay elements

An explanation of the Chief Executive's performance pay outcomes for financial year 2024 is shown in the following tables:

#### Short term incentive

Description	Performance measures*	Weight %	Outcome %	Value \$
<ul> <li>Set at 50% of fixed remuneration. Based on:</li> <li>60% on achieving normalised NPAT target. The range for the financial performance is 0-110%.</li> </ul>	NPAT/financial performance	60	30	144,450
• 40% on key strategic measures and safety.	Safety/people	10	10	48,150
The range is 0-100%.		10	9	43,335
	Process improvement/innovation (CRO) <sup>†</sup>	5	4	19,260
	Environmental/sustainability (CRR)†	5	4	19,260
	Customer focus/service delivery	5	4	19,260
	Strategic opportunities	5	5	24,075

\* Payment of short-term incentive will be made in financial year 2025.

† CRO – Climate-related Opportunity. CRR – Climate-related Risk.

#### Long term incentive

Description	Performance measures*	Weight %	Outcome %
<ul> <li>Set at 50% of fixed remuneration based on:</li> <li>50% on TSR performance relative to the NZX50 less Australian companies listed in NZ. The range is 0-100%</li> </ul>	TSR	50	0
• 50% based on EPS CAGR. The range is 0-120%.	EPS	50	59

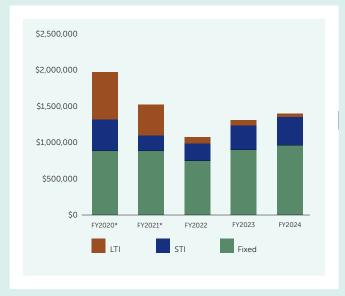
\* This performance outcome is for the allocation period 2021–2023 and awarded in financial year 2024.

#### The five year summary – Chief Executive remuneration

Year	Total remuneration \$	STI against maximum %	LTI against maximum %	Span of LTI performance period
FY2024	1,505,446	66	54	FY2021-2023
FY2023	1,350,971	86	48	FY2020-2022
FY2022	1,082,144	87	40	FY2019-2021
FY2021*	1,553,455	19	54	FY2018-2020
FY2020*	2,022,501	78	97	FY2017-2019

\* Previous Chief Executive, Mark Cairns.

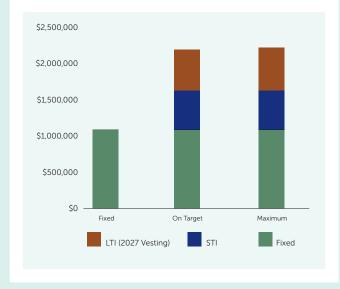
#### The five year summary graph – Chief Executive remuneration



#### \* Previous Chief Executive, Mark Cairns.

#### **Chief Executive remuneration for FY2025**

The Chief Executive's potential remuneration package for the year ending June 2025 is shown in the following chart:



# Total Shareholder Return (TSR) performance (three year return)



Fixed remuneration reflects base salary and benefits. For performance that meets expectations, the STI would pay out at 50% of fixed remuneration and the LTI at 50% of fixed remuneration. For performance that exceeds expectations, the STI would pay out a maximum 106% of available STI and the LTI at 110% of available LTI. An explanation of the Chief Executive's performance pay in financial year 2024 is shown in the following table:

	Description	Performance measures	Weight %
STI	<ul> <li>Set at 50% of fixed remuneration. Based on:</li> <li>60% on achieving normalised NPAT target. The range for the financial performance is 0-110%.</li> </ul>	NPAT/financial performance	50.0
	40% on key strategic measures and safety.	Safety/people	10.0
	The range is 0-100%.	Environmental/sustainability	5.0
		Stakeholder engagement	10.0
		Process improvement	12.5
		Strategic opportunities	12.5
LTI	<ul> <li>Set at 50% of fixed remuneration based on:</li> <li>50% on TSR performance relative to the NZX50 less Australian companies listed in NZ. The range is 0-100%.</li> </ul>	TSR	50.0
	• 50% based on EPS CAGR. The range is 0-120%.	EPS	50.0

#### **Employee remuneration**

The number of employees and former employees of Port of Tauranga who, during the year, received cash remuneration and benefits (including at-risk performance incentives) exceeding \$100,000 are:

	Parent company			
Remuneration range \$000	Number of employees 2024	Number of employees 2023		
100-109	21	22		
110-119	20	32		
120-129	26	30		
130-139	36	20		
140-149	15	13		
150-159	16	8		
160-169	13	14		
170-179	10	7		
180-189	9	1		
190-199	7	2		
200-209	3*	1		
210-219	4	1		
220-229	0	3		
230-239	3	1*		
240-249	1	1		
250-259	3	3		
260-269	0	1		
270-279	1	1		
280-289	5	0		
290-299	2	3		
300-309	1	2*		
310-319	2*	0		
320-329	0	1*		
330-339	1	0		
380-389	1*	0		
420-429	0	1*		
490-495	1*	0		
560-569	1*	0		
570-579	0	1*		
650-659	0	1*		
700-709	0	1*		
790-799	1*	0		
810-819	1*	0		
1,350-1,360	0	1*		
1,460-1,469	1*	0		
Total	205	172		

\* Includes vesting of long-term incentive scheme and payment of short-term incentive.

# Employee Share Ownership

Permanent employees can choose to join Port of Tauranga's Employee Share Ownership Plan (ESOP). The ESOP gives employees the opportunity to buy shares in the company via weekly pay deductions. The shares are offered every three years and paid off over the intervening three-year period. In FY2022 an offer of up to \$5,000 worth of shares was made to employees at a 10% discount to the market price. On the day of allocation, the price was \$6.09 per share and participating individuals received up to 821 shares.

## Audit

The Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the external audit to ensure the integrity of the company's financial reporting. The Audit Committee is also responsible for overseeing Climaterelated Disclosures.

The committee's approach to ensuring the quality and independence of the audit process includes:

- Overseeing and appraising the quality of the audits conducted by the company's external auditors
- Maintaining open lines of communication between the Board, any internal auditors and the external auditors to exchange views and information. The committee also confirms the parties' respective authorities and responsibilities
- Serving as an independent and objective party to review the financial information presented by senior management to shareholders, regulators and the general public, and also assisting in the development of the future format and content of external reporting
- Determining the adequacy of the organisation's administrative, operating and accounting controls
- Ensuring processes are in place and monitoring those processes so that the Board is properly and regularly informed and updated on corporate financial matters

# Shareholder relations

The Board is committed to engaging with shareholders and market participants so that timely and accurate information is provided and feedback is facilitated.

Port of Tauranga's website (www.port-tauranga.co.nz) has the company's Integrated Annual Reports, Mid-Year Market Updates and announcements to the NZX and the public.

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders is held in Tauranga, near the location of the company's head office and to encourage local shareholders to attend in person. The company's website lists the dates of upcoming meetings. The 2024 Annual Meeting will be held on Friday, 25 October 2024 at Mercury Baypark and will also be webcast.

Shareholders can receive electronic communications from the Share Registry. Contact details are available on the company website and in the 2024 Integrated Annual Report.

Directors' commitment to timely and balanced disclosure is set out in its Continuous Disclosure and Communication Policy. The commitments include advising shareholders of any major decisions.

When voting on a matter is required, the Board encourages shareholders to attend the Annual Meeting or send in a proxy vote. Voting is conducted by way of poll.

The Notice of Annual Meeting will be available at least 20 business days prior to the meeting and will be available in the Investors section of the company website.

 Reviewing the financial reports and advising all Directors whether they comply with the appropriate laws and regulations.

Under section 19 of the Port Companies Act 1988, the Audit Office is the Auditor of Port of Tauranga Limited.

The Auditor-General has appointed, pursuant to section 32 of the Public Audit Act 2001, the firm of KPMG to undertake the audit on their behalf. Port of Tauranga Limited has no control over the appointment of the Auditor, nor the tenure of the Lead Audit Partner. The current Lead Audit Partner, Brent Manning, was appointed in 2020.

The Board has received written confirmation from KPMG regarding its independence.

Any non-audit work undertaken by KPMG must be approved by the Auditor-General. Fees paid to KPMG for audit and non-audit services are included in note 6 to the financial statements in the 2024 Integrated Annual Report.

The Audit Committee also oversees an active internal audit programme where risks are identified and external expertise is engaged to review them when required. The committee will oversee the company's compliance with the new Climate-related Disclosures reporting regime.

#### Shareholder information

The ordinary shares of Port of Tauranga Limited are listed on NZX. The information in the disclosures below has been taken from the company's registers as at 30 June 2024:

#### Twenty largest ordinary equity holders

Holder	Number of shares held	lssued equity %
Quayside Securities Limited	368,437,680	54.14
Custodial Services Limited	56,645,800	8.32
Tea Custodians Limited	21,164,812	3.11
Bnp Paribas Nominees NZ Limited	15,731,306	2.31
FNZ Custodians Limited	12,826,818	1.88
Accident Compensation Corporation	12,536,537	1.84
Kotahi Logistics LP	8,500,000	1.25
JBWere (NZ) Nominees Limited	7,543,428	1.11
Premier Nominees Limited	7,512,923	1.10
New Zealand Depository Nominee	7,017,166	1.03
New Zealand Superannuation Fund Nominees Limited	6,021,112	0.88
HSBC Nominees (New Zealand) Limited	6,016,239	0.88
Forsyth Barr Custodians Limited	5,288,999	0.78
Citibank Nominees (NZ) Limited	3,302,815	0.49
Public Trust	3,227,676	0.47
Masfen Securities Limited	2,708,395	0.40
Private Nominees Limited	2,672,666	0.39
ASB Nominees Limited	1,978,324	0.29
FNZ Custodians Limited	1,720,724	0.25
JPMORGAN Chase Bank	1,714,268	0.25
Total	552,567,688	81.17

#### **Corporate Governance Statement**

for the year ended 30 June 2024

#### Distribution of equity securities

Range of equity holdings	Number of holders	Number of shares held	lssued equity %
1-5,000	8,135	16,261,272	2.39
5,001-10,000	2,166	16,551,171	2.43
10,001-50,000	2,197	46,937,463	6.90
50,001-100,000	220	15,499,494	2.28
100,001 and over	112	585,331,830	86.00
Total	12,830	680,581,230	100.00

#### Substantial security holders

According to company records and notices given under the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013, the substantial security holders in ordinary shares (being the only class of quoted voting securities) of the company as at 30 June 2024, were:

Holder	Number of Shares Held	%
Quayside Securities Limited	368,437,680	54.14

The total number of issued voting securities of the company as at 30 June 2024 was 680,581,230.

#### Directors' equity holdings

As at 30 June 2024, Port of Tauranga Limited Directors had the following relevant interests in Port of Tauranga Limited equity securities.

Held bene	Held beneficially		Held by associated persons	
30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
0	0	82,500	82,500	
0	0	15,000	15,000	
10,500	6,500	0	0	
0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	
0	0	0	0	
16,750	16,750	0	0	
0	N/A	6,300	N/A	
	30 June 2024 0 0 0 10,500 0 0 0 0 0	30 June 2024         30 June 2023           0         0           10,500         6,500           10,500         0           0         0           10,500         10,500           10,500         10,500           10,500         0           10,500         10,500	30 June 2024         30 June 2023         30 June 2024           0         0         82,500           0         0         15,000           10,500         6,500         0           0         0         0           10,500         6,500         0           0         0         0           10,500         0,00         0           10,500         0,00         0           10,500         0,00         0           10,500         16,750         0	

\* Sir Robert retired 31 October 2023.

t Mr Whineray appointed 31 October 2023.

#### Senior managers' equity holdings

As at 30 June 2024, Port of Tauranga Limited senior managers had the following relevant interests in Port of Tauranga Limited equity securities:

	Held beneficially		Held by associated persons	
Senior manager	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Ms M J Dyer	4,112	0	0	0
Mr B J Hamill	6,803	0	821	821
Mr S R Kebbell	13,059	7,330	821	821
Mr P M Kirk	1,730	1,730	821	821
Mr D A Kneebone	98,691	93,555	84,921	84,921
Ms R A Lockley	0	0	821	821
Mr L E Sampson	89,343	78,841	821	821

# **Other information**

#### Donations

Donations of \$74,225 were made during the year ended 30 June 2024 (2023: \$75,401). No donations were made to any political parties.

#### Stock Exchange listing

The company's shares are listed on the New Zealand Stock Exchange (NZX). The company currently has no NZX waivers.

#### Credit rating

During the year ended 30 June 2024, the company had an S&P Global (Standard & Poor's) rating of A-/Stable/A-2.

### **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Friday, 25 October 2024 at 1.00pm at Mercury Baypark, 81 Truman Lane, Mount Maunganui. The meeting will be livestreamed by MUFG (formerly known as Link Market Services).

#### Further information

Additional information on Port of Tauranga Limited can be found on the company's website at www.port-tauranga.co.nz.