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EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT, FULFIL YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

The Kapiti Chamber is calling on people to exercise their democratic right to choose their political leaders in the upcoming local body elections.

“Kapiti really is at a pivotal point in its history” says Kapiti Coast Chamber of Commerce Chairman Mark Ternent “and we need to fulfil our responsibilities by finding out WHO is standing for elected positions, WHAT they stand for and then voting for the people we believe will deliver the best future for our community.”

“There are a number of local body issues at present” says Mr Ternent “especially around our ability to provide essential Council-run services such as water, roading and sewerage. However there is one issue that the Chamber wishes to raise – **this community needs more local jobs**. We have too few businesses for the size of the population, and we are too susceptible to hurtful economic shocks. We need to provide local employment options for our people and it is a role of Council to help create an environment in which this can happen.”

The Kapiti Chamber of Commerce is organising a ‘Meet the Candidates’ evening. Mayoral and District-wide Councillor candidates are being invited to take the stage. Everyone is welcome to come and hear them speak. Details as follows:

Kapiti Chamber of Commerce ‘**Meet the Candidates**’ evening
Thursday 16 September 2010
7:00pm to 9:30pm
The Meadows Church, Mazengarb Road, Paraparaumu

The Chamber is currently contacting all mayoral and district-wide councillors; however candidates with any questions should email info@kapitichamber.org.nz.

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