To the chief executive of the Whakatane District Council: I/we wish to demand a poll whereby all of the electors of the Whakatane District will have the opportunity (in terms of Section 19ZB and 19ZC of the Local Electoral Act 2001) to determine whether Maori Wards should be established in the Whakatane District.

Full name	Full residential address	Signature

Whakatane District Councillors have voted to create Maori ward(s). This proposal may be challenged. If you are currently on the Whakatane District electoral roll and want voters to decide this important question then please sign the above petition and encourage others (neighbours, family, friends, workmates) to sign as well. A total of 1,705 signatures must be delivered to Whakatane District Council by 5pm on February 21, 2018, to trigger a poll which would be held between February and May of 2018. *THANK YOU!*

We believe that Maori ward(s) are not necessary for council decisions which are mainly to do with roads, clean drinking water, sewage, drainage, libraries, sports facilities and cultural centres, all of which are for the benefit of everyone irrespective of ethnicity.

Please email signed forms immediately to: wardswhakatane@gmail.com or mail to: “Maori Wards Petition”, PO Box 483, Whakatane 3158