

## Councillor Role Descriptions

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### Introduction

This policy sets out the role and responsibilities that Councillors hold.

### Council member skills

A successful Council will have Councillors with a mix of skills and attributes which include the following:

- a passion for the objectives of the Society, and an interest and enthusiasm for the range of activities the Society and its subsidiaries are involved in
- governance skills and experience or an understanding of governance skills
- Strategic business planning skills and experience
- An understanding and knowledge of technology
- An understanding of product and service development and marketing
- common sense, wisdom and judgement
- integrity and commitment to ethical behaviour
- business acumen (including financial literacy) and a track record in his/ her professional field
- independent thought and the ability to debate and defend viewpoints
- objectivity and the ability to take a broader perspective – the “helicopter view”
- ability to work as part of a team and support the collective view of the Council
- risk management appreciation and experience
- project governance or project management experience

All Council members must have time to commit to the role. This includes attending Council meetings and preparing adequately for these meetings, sitting on Council committees (as required), and keeping abreast of issues facing the Society and relevant to the Society’s objectives.

## **President of InternetNZ**

### Key Functions

In addition to the requirements set for Council Members, the President has the following additional functions:

- chair the Council and as such, has the lead role for assuring the integrity of the Council's governance processes
- lead the Council in its strategic planning processes
- act as the face of the InternetNZ Council and spokesperson on strategic issues and Council issues when this is required in matters of accountability to members and other key stakeholders
- will, from time to time, represent the full membership of the Society and not only the Council itself
- act as the chair of all General Meetings of the Society
- representation at national and international fora on InternetNZ group issues
- other duties and responsibilities specifically defined in the Constitution

This is a non-executive role but requires considerable commitment.

## **Vice-President of InternetNZ**

### Key Functions

In addition to the requirements set out for Council Members, the Vice-President has the following additional functions:

- act in the absence or incapacity of the President
- other duties and responsibilities specifically defined in the Constitution