

# Submissions on alternative options to the Proposed Constitution

## Submission #1

From: David Harvey

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

Clause 3

Add

3.1 InternetNZ shall maintain registrations in co.nz and directly under .nz as unmoderated

3.2 InternetNZ will not refuse any technically valid name for registration in unmoderated domains, unless that name would breach New Zealand law

3.3 InternetNZ shall publish to the .nz zone file all .nz domain names that are registered and paid for

3.4 InternetNZ will not remove unmoderated .nz domain names on the basis of how they are used

3.4.1 An exception to 3.4 is compliance with a New Zealand court order

3.4.2 An exception to 3.4 is the .nz Dispute Resolution Scheme which deals with unfair registrations

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

No

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

Alternative Option Board Composition KEEP the Board the same size as our current Council, with 7 or 8 elected, and 2 or 3 appointed.

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

no

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## Submission #2

From: Toa Greening

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Domain Name Space administration is covered in the Domain Name Commission rules.

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KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

Just a change to the term of the appointed members from 2 year to 1 year. This will be of interest to more candidates who can commit to 1 year instead of 2 years and also enable skills to be added to the board in a shorter time period.

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The current board structure is standard across most organisations.

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## Submission #3

From: Hinemaua Rikirangi

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Engage with Māori on rules and protection of te reo Māori, Mātauranga Māori

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Co-Chair, of which one must be Māori. 9 Members: 6 elected, 3 appointed Māori

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Board elect the non-Māori chair; Te Komiti Whakauru Māori select Māori Chair, recommend to Board for Ratification

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Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #4

From: Alan Meredith

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

INZ must maintain the .nz space

INZ must not refuse any technically valid name for registration in unmoderated domains, unless that name would breach New Zealand law

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INZ will not remove unmoderated .nz domain names on the basis of how they are used unless by Court Order or through the .nz Dispute Resolution process.

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Board should have 7-11 members in total. Board must have 7 or 8 elected members. A maximum of 2 or 3 appointed members \*can\* exist (but not \*must\* exist). Appointed members should have terms of one year that can be renewed or ended annually as a conscious decision of the board.

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Dislike co-chair concept.

Should have a single member elected chair guided by Board (and member feedback as required/desired).

Chair should be elected by members not appointed by Board. Don't care about deputy.

Since I reached the end of the survey with no freeform "anything else" option, I would like to record here, that a right of members to have direct email communication with each other, facilitated by INZ, should be added to the rights section of the new constitution.

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## Submission #5

From: Andrew Chen

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I favour an approach that clarifies what InternetNZ can and can't do. While in other circumstances it might not be necessary, it seems to be important to many members and in the interests of a Constitution that can be approved I believe that it would be helpful to include such a statement. While we obviously need to take domains down if required by law, and a small number of other circumstances, overall I am in favour of keeping the Domain Name Space more open than closed.

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I am generally in favour of a smaller number of Board members, while retaining as many member-elected positions as possible, acknowledging that appointed members are sometimes necessary and helpful to fill skills gaps.

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I am in favour of moving towards a co-governance model, but I also believe that the co-chairs or chairperson needs to be elected by the members. While the co-chairs/chairperson have the same responsibilities and legal liability as any other member of the Board, they not only have to lead the Board but also act as a voice of the organisation in collaboration with the CE and staff. The co-chairs/chairperson needs to have the mandate of the membership to speak on their behalf.

This does not appear to be an option, but I would be in favour of having co-chairs elected, and where this is not possible (e.g. there are no Māori candidates for co-chair standing) then the Chairperson should be elected, with the Deputy Chairperson appointed by the Board. As it is not available as an option, I will choose the next closest alternative.

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Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #6

From: Rebecca Cox

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

Not my area of expertise, so no.

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## Submission #7

From: Dave Moskovitz

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I like the way it's been done to date - policy based through consultation with stakeholders. Putting management clauses in the constitution will be overkill and potentially too restrictive.

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NO, I'm happy with a smaller board with appointees.

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I like the proposed co-chair leadership structure.

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## Submission #8

From: Andrew Cushen

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While I am open to such a debate on whether such rules and limitations should be included in the .nz Domain Name Space, I don't believe that the constitution of InternetNZ is the right place to do this.

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I support the decrease in the size of the Board, and would prefer it if there was less optionality - i.e. keep it tidier with 6 (therefore allowing equal distribution over election periods) plus three. That should be sufficient to maintain a member-led majority but also allow for appropriate balancing of additional skills through appointments. I wonder however whether there could/should also be a member ratification process of appointment proposals though.

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I just don't believe it to be appropriate for an incorporated society to limit the membership in choosing who is the president/chair, and am concerned about the enshrining of power in the Board/Council in doing so. Regardless of the points made in the drafting instructions regarding no differentiation in responsibilities, the Chair has significant symbolic power.

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## Submission #9

From: Jeff Montgomery

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## Submission #10

From: Whetu Fala

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Internet NZ administers the .nz Domain Name space currently well.

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## Submission #11

From: Aleisha Amohia

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## Submission #12

From: Jonathan Brewer

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

The domain space should be administered in accordance with New Zealand law and Internet Governance best practices.

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Total of 9 board members.

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Co-chairs is the only appropriate remedy to the long-term issues of structural racism.

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## Submission #13

From: Matt Brown

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I do not support the addition of this statement. Matters relating to .nz policy are best dealt with through the existing .nz policy development process, not the constitution of the organisation that runs that process.

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## Submission #14

From: Julia Clement

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

I like the thought of "The Society does not consider the use of domain names in its administration ..." but I see a problem that I believe the society should be able to suspend domains with fraudulent or scam content.

Given this I believe that the proposed extra clause is too broad. I am voting for it as it is better than nothing but would prefer something addressing my comment immediately above.

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I can't see much practical difference between the effects of the two options. I'm voting for the smaller board.

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I like the previous structure of a president directly elected by the members. I am voting for the option closest to this.

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## Submission #15

From: Martin Cocker

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I do think somebody should consider the use of domain names - and there should be a system for denying or deleting .nz domains that goes beyond baseline legal/law enforcement standards. But it shouldn't be InternetNZ. A system like that needs an independent administrator to ensure standards for denying or deleting are met - and that is the role InternetNZ should play.

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In general, it makes sense to have elected and appointed members to ensure the board has the required "knowledge, skills, and experience". The constitution only specifically references expertise in Te Tiriti, te ao maori etc - but doesn't mention any other skills. I know some are standard (finace, legal etc), but maybe it is worth listing out the key ones - especially if there are others that indicate the way in which InternetNZ wants to operate. So that might be global internet governance systems or cyber security for example.

Overall - it does seem the InternetNZ Council has strayed outside of its Governance responsibilities. So it makes sense to trim it down and focus more tightly.

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Not really. Generally I prefer a model where the board select key roles among themselves. Works okay for the national political system - so why not the rest of us eh? But truthfully this is not something i feel strongly about.

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Alternative Option 1 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson leadership structure, selected by the Board.

## Submission #16

From: Jay Daley

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It would be very useful to limit the role of InternetNZ with regards to .nz, in the constitution.

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Would have preferred board appointing both roles.

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## Submission #17

From: Michael Daubs

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While the intent is good and should be codified somewhere, the proposed statement appears to be an operational policy rather than something that makes sense in a constitution.

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I am generally not in favour of appointed members.

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Removing the ability for membership to have any input into who runs the Board risks alienating membership and isolating the Board from accountability.

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From: Isobel Egerton

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From: Steven Ellis

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Current governance model allows for massive misuse by overseas based scammers and other resources. There should be a considerably stronger model requiring confirmation that the domain is held by an NZ resident.

Then build out a model where all .NZ domains are required to be fully hosted on infrastructure hosted within NZ.

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There is good research that a board size of 5 - 9 is optimal for balancing a diversity of views with ensuring a manageable and close knit team where everyone can have their say. Furthermore, having been chair of another membership organisation which reduced its board size (from memory it went from about 12 to 7), my personal experience is that a smaller team makes a much happier and more effective board, while still ensuring there are enough voices to represent the membership well.

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yes! the board should definitely elect the chair, as it is the board who knows how people act in the boardroom and who will facilitate the team well. Members electing the chair makes for a popularity contest and risks someone becoming chair who has



the ability to mobilise the membership without necessarily having the requisite skills, or, worse still, has a specific platform they are promoting

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InternetNZ is and has always been a membership-based and membership-lead organisation.

The Board should have a significant preponderance of Elected Members

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I believe the Board should elect its leadership

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## Submission #22

From: Colin Jackson

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Administering the DNS is a sacred trust. It is what we are there for. Our constitution should reflect that and should make clear what would happen to the DNS if we became unable or unwilling to do it.

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ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

Council (I strongly prefer that term) is a representative body. It's not a corporate board. I do not support further reduction in its size or increasing the number of non-elected members.

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

Alternative Option Board Composition KEEP the Board the same size as our current Council, with 7 or 8 elected, and 2 or 3 appointed.

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

I do not support the co-chair model. It's untried. Let's not forget, this is the DNS we are talking about. We shouldn't be trying things out on it.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 1 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson leadership structure, selected by the Board.

## Submission #23

From: Kay Jones

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

In compliance with the law is a first step. The Domain Name Commission seems to be doing a good job. Any conflicts may be a matter for policy discussions at a wider level, just as Department of Internal Affairs does with registrations of birth names so as not to cause dissension or claim rights that aren't available, e.g. Sovereign Ruler of New Zealand . NZ may be extreme.

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ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

A bigger board allows the opportunity for more voices. Where an assessment of elected Councillors shows the Council is missing skills and knowledge ythese should be prioritised for appointments, including filling the gap on accessibility / disability issues knowledge and experience.

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

If membership of InternetNZ is big enough it should enable recognition of caucus groups with a voice. In the first instance there could be a Māori caucus able to nominate a Māori co-chair for the InternetNZ Council. This person could be an elected member of the Council or a person to be appointed as a Councillor. Pre-membership need not be required but knowledge of internet related issues as well as having the confidence of the Māori caucus would be desirable.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #24

From: Claire Lanyon

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

I agree with stating both technical and social statements in the constitution and do not believe this opens the door for censorship in any way.

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***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

I think the new option is better - 9 board members

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

Proposed Constitution PROCEED with the proposed number of Board members of 9, with 5 or 6 elected, and 2 or 3 appointed

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.



## Submission #25

From: Joy Liddicoat

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

Adding a statement of objects is fine, if it is a statement of objects and not a statement of policy. the proposed addition is not an object - it is a statement of policy. Therefore I do not support it.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

Stick with the current model/

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

Alternative Option Board Composition KEEP the Board the same size as our current Council, with 7 or 8 elected, and 2 or 3 appointed.

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 2 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson only, Chairperson elected by Eligible Members and Deputy Chairperson selected by the Board.

## Submission #26

From: Eric Light

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

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***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #27

From: Oliver Lineham

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

While .nz rules is the correct place for detailed .nz rules, current consultative process the correct way to consider changes, the board does have the final decision making power on .nz rules.

It is therefore appropriate to have a very high level back-stop limit in the constitution similar to the option suggested. However, the option is inadequate:

1. It is in the Preface and does not clearly bind the board. It should be moved to the rules.
2. The words 'does not' should change to 'must not'
3. The constitution should also clearly require that stakeholders are consulted on .nz rule changes - i.e. a backstop protection of the current practice.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

I oppose the reduction in democratic control of the board.

The board should remain at least at the current proportion of elected members (82%). If the size of the board is to be reduced, the number of appointees should be reduced accordingly.

2.8.1 - appointed board members should not be able to vote to suspend members.

It is also not clear why appointed board members should have voting rights. If the purpose of appointees is to access "skills" and "knowledge", these skills and knowledge are available to the board as advice without the need for them to have

voting rights. Representation of non-member New Zealanders is available through stakeholder consultation, and through board members faithfully following the objects in the constitution. (If membership is unrepresentative, that should be addressed through lowered barriers to non-members becoming members - not by lowering the standard of democratic accountability in the society.)

3.4.1 - Quorum should be at least half the \*elected\* members of the board.

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

I have no objection or preference, but note that the claim “Therefore the Chair/s hold no additional obligations and powers” is not strictly true, as the board meeting chair holds a casting vote (3.4.3).

I do have some concern that co-chairs may diminish the chair (current president) as a public face of the organisation, relative to the Chief Executive.

My interests are in democratic accountability and transparency of organisations exercising a public function, as InternetNZ purports to do. Numerous other aspects of the draft are regressive in this regard, especially:

- Electronic voting and meeting attendance should always be an option for all General Meetings. As written, it is only one possible way the chair may decide to conduct a meeting. This is regressive.

4.1.1 - all meetings should be online. In-person should be optional.

4.1.4 - all members should be able to attend (why not?). Eligible members should be able to vote and speak.

4.1.8 - electronic voting must always be available. Otherwise this is a significant regression on the old constitution. Other methods are optional.

3.4 - Board meetings should be required to be open to members to observe, except when considering very limited matters requiring confidentiality. This is current practice; it should be required.

8.2 - The interests register should be available to members.

8.3.3 - The society should only be able to refuse to supply only for the reasons in s81(1) - s81(2) should not apply.

In addition;

3.9.1 - appointed board members terms should end at each AGM. the new elected members should decide whether to reappoint them. Elected board members should not be stuck with a previous board's choices of appointed members.

2.8.1 - appointed board members should not be able to vote to suspend membership. I'm not convinced members should be suspended at all before dispute resolution.

2.8.2 - Members rights to attend events 2.6.2(d) could be suspended, but they should be allowed to vote, stand for election, and propose motions.

2.9.3 - Member resolution should also be able to overturn a dispute resolution process and re-admit members, despite the opinion of the board.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

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## Submission #28

From: vivien maidaborn

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

efficient and businesslike Board is critical. Expert advice is to go smaller

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 1 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson leadership structure, selected by the Board.

## Submission #29

From: Brendan Murray

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

InternetNZ should be an honest broker. Domain names are a necessity. Ideological considerations should not be allowed at a constitutional or policy level. The DNC should be there to arbitrate legal (you can't register illegal names) or commercial (trademark, copyright conflict). It should not be making cultural decisions. So putting the proposed changes in the constitution is a bad idea.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

I object to the changes proposed. Despite the hysteria about systemic racism that were brought to the surface by activist counselors I don't believe it has the impact or scope that has been claimed. I feel that the creation of a Maori co-chair or similar provisions is anti-democratic, goes against all the principles of neutrality that InternetNZ has championed. I also object to so many co-opted counselors as it is just another way to slant the representation.

INZ has been through this before, repeatedly. It has mostly rejected the hysteria in the past and should now. The status quo should prevail

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

The current structure is suitable. It appears to me some of the reasoning to get co-opted members on the board is a perceived lack of skills. This is more related to people no longer wanting to be on the council as it has become, and the small membership. Small membership numbers have been a bugbear of INZ since forever and I recall many council discussions on why we would want more people, or fewer, or how to achieve either. Now that you suddenly have a lot more new members there's a perception of panic. Same old, been there done that, survived it, will survive it again. Don't tinker.

INZ has been ideologically captured now, and it's desperate for that capture to be maintained. That is part of what the constitutional review is supporting!

Governance selection should be by the membership, not by a clique, that knows it will get re-elected based on low membership and inertia.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.



## Submission #30

From: Richard Nelson

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

Should emphasise technical administration function.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 2 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson only, Chairperson elected by Eligible Members and Deputy Chairperson selected by the Board.

## Submission #31

From: Catherine Pearce

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

Do not include this. Internet NZ is broader than .nz and .nz is entrusted to INZ but is not our exclusive property.

I'm not necessarily opposed to the content of the proposal - but this is not the place for it. Nor is it appropriate to try and apply pressure against .nz via the parent constitution.

.nz policy must follow the prescribed .nz policy process and it is not appropriate for inz or its membership to bypass this process and thus exclude many thousands of general stakeholders such as registrars and registrants.

If .nz delegation is lost this would actually make it so that this rule no longer applies. It would only apply so long as internet nz is managing and this is frankly bizarre.

Further, if .nz policy and internet nz constitution contradict I would argue we are bound to follow the .nz policy and not our constitution. We sell domains and sign contracts and make MOU under the .nz rules. Not our constitution.

Again not necessarily opposed to the intent although this is not specified well enough for a modern and versatile domain rule set. If we decide what people do with domains isn't our problem in the slightest we risk setting ourselves up for a Wild West where we lose government and public trust, malware and phishing runs rampant, and we are powerless. I oppose censorship, and support appropriately developed policy to prevent this. But I also oppose overly dogmatic interpretations of the technolibertarian ideals of the nineties which do both take into account the actual challenges of today and needs of our local internet community.

Make rules for our cctld the right way. This is not the right way and is an undemocratic attempt to bypass the broader multistakeholder approach via the views of a narrow subset. This is not appropriate and possible in breach of many obligations we have both from rfc, MOU, contracts, precedent, and our own stated PDP.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

While a large board is unwieldy they serve as more than just a governance board. They connect and serve many different communities and views. Further they are volunteers not professionals and their availability is not guaranteed. Bigger is simply better and more democratic in this case.

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

No strong preference. Both models can work well with the right team and processes.

The issues with co-chair arise if people aren't servant leaders but leader servants - and I trust the membership to vote in the right set of people. Co-leaders also provides more stable succession and absentee cover than a deputy. If a weak chair is in place then all too often the deputy chair ends up doing all of the work of a full chair with less reward and less respect.

The issue of the president being elected or not is interesting - if the president/chair does not have support of the board they will fail. Ultimately the board will succeed or fail as a whole. Members should vote for the board they want and empower them to choose the right leadership - representative democracy.

That all said, if a co-leadership can fail back to a chair/deputy model is should be fine.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #32

From: Rere-No-A-Rangi Pope

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***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 1 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson leadership structure, selected by the Board.

## Submission #33

From: Anjum Rahman

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

No, I'm happy with the wording in the draft constitution.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

I'm happy with the options provided.

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

I strongly agree with Ipurangi Aotearoa's commitment to being Te Tiriti centric, and would like to see that shown in the constitution with the co-chair option, one of the co-chairs being Māori.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #34

From: Thomas Recker

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

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Alternative Option 2 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson only, Chairperson elected by Eligible Members and Deputy Chairperson selected by the Board.



## Submission #35

From: Nigel Robertson

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

No additional statement is required.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

I agree that one of the co-chairs, or chair/deputy should be Māori.

The 'proposed constitution' option is the only one that includes this requirement.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #36

From: Felix Saparelli

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

No

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

KEEP the background as it currently stands with no reference to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space in regards to content.

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

Despite this not being part of the alternative options, I wish to express support of clause 3.2.4 and a mild suggestion of other axes of board diversity, such as gender. I also wish to express disapproval at any language that would allow a current board to restrict candidacy and election to members the board prefers.

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #37

From: Maria Skatova

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***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.

## Submission #38

From: Kayli Taylor

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## Submission #39

From: James Ting-Edwards

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

The constitution may be making a fundamental mistake in centering .nz. The existing constitution does not mention .nz at all, because it is about the purpose and structure of an incorporated society that exists to advance a broad vision for the Internet. That breadth makes the existing constitution robust - if InternetNZ lost the delegation to be NZ's ccTLD, the existing constitution would still set out vital and worthy objects for it to pursue. The proposed constitution centres .nz in the objects, making the mission and vision narrower and more fragile, and potentially creating legal risks. I encourage everyone involved to look higher and think broader - the Internet is much more than the domain name system, and the focus on .nz is InternetNZ losing its way.

Even within the .nz domain space, there is an unfortunate lack of vision and action. Where is the embrace of modern platforms that centre domain names like Mastodon and Bluesky? Where is the analysis of threats to efficient and open-ended use of domains from centralised control by corporates and governments? Where is the toolkit to enable New Zealanders to build their own websites and escape the reaches of large social media companies? There is so much to be done here, and InternetNZ should be a forum or rallying point for this work!

The constitution should NOT include a statement on how the administration of .nz relates to content. The constitution defines and sets rules for the incorporated society, its objects, and relationships of members and board/Council members. Policy for .nz needs a .nz policy process. The proposed statement has necessarily been prepared in haste and risks being both too broad and too specific in a complicated and nuanced area.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

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***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

Now is not the right time to increase the number of appointed members. Though this may be hard to see for Council members and current staff who are in the loop, InternetNZ is suffering a crisis of disengagement. Membership fell to 280. There has been no NetHui since 2020(?). The amount and visibility of Internet advocacy work has dropped off the map. It is critical that a membership based organisation retains accountability to members, fosters communication among members, and deals with the debates and conflicts that result. Otherwise there is no basis for this incorporated society to have its privileged role, brand, and management of .nz.

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***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

The proposed constitution hedges its bets on leadership, and that is a problem. To serve the objects, members, and the incorporated society, the constitution should give clear answers in difficult situations. It is unfortunate that the engagement on the constitution is only surfacing such deep issues this late - this reflects deep and long-standing problems with the lack of robust and functional forums for member debate and discussion.

This constitution belongs to the membership, but unfortunately it has not been led by the membership but by the very few people who are inside the tent. That is not necessarily the fault of anyone involved, but it is a problem that needs urgent attention and solutions. Internet issues are fundamental to the benefits of open democratic societies right now, and InternetNZ has a chance to improve things. Please take action on this!

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 2 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson only, Chairperson elected by Eligible Members and Deputy Chairperson selected by the Board.

## Submission #40

From: Craig Young

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

None

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

Proposed Constitution PROCEED with the proposed number of Board members of 9, with 5 or 6 elected, and 2 or 3 appointed

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Proposed Constitution KEEP provisions for co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.



## Submission #41

From: Jason Danner

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

I think its prudent to include the proposed statement in the constitution.

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

Alternative Option Board Composition KEEP the Board the same size as our current Council, with 7 or 8 elected, and 2 or 3 appointed.

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

I have seen a lot of instances where co-chairs/co-CEOs etc has been attempted and very few instances where it has resulted in a positive outcome rather than added disruption and confusion.

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

Alternative Option 1 OPT FOR Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson leadership structure, selected by the Board.

## Submission #42

From: Di Daniels

***Feedback on .nz Domain Name Space option: Do you have any feedback or suggestions in relation to how InternetNZ administers the .nz Domain Name Space? Enter in space below.***

***Please indicate your preference of what to include in the Constitution by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

ADD a statement to clarify InternetNZ's role in the .nz Domain Name Space (see page 3 of the Proposed Constitution)

***Feedback on Board Composition: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options on the Board composition? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference in relation to Board Composition by ticking the relevant box beside the option.***

*Proposed Constitution*

**PROCEED** with the proposed number of Board members of 9, with 5 or 6 elected, and 2 or 3 Appointed

***Feedback on Board leadership structure and leaders: Do you have any further feedback or suggestions for the options provided in relation to the leadership of the Board? Please indicate below.***

***Please indicate your preference by ticking the relevant box beside the option***

*Proposed Constitution*

**KEEP** the provision for Co-Chairs with option for Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson where not possible, selected by the Board.