



Nau mai! Welcome to the WESCT May 2023 newsletter. The WESCT Trustees are proud to own The Lines Company (TLC) on behalf of you, the customers, ensuring benefits such as bill savings and jobs for our local community.

News

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Chair's comment

Infrastructure, Climate, Community - key topics at Energy Trusts Conference

WESCT Trustees took part in the ETNZ Conference this month.

The presentations highlighted the importance of the planned investment TLC puts into our region's electricity network infrastructure, so it is resilient and adapts to our changing climate.

We heard from Unison Networks in Hawke's Bay on their Cyclone Gabrielle response. A timely reminder for us of the risk trees close to power lines pose during storms, so call TLC's team if you've any risky trees that need trimming or removing.

As we know from weather events experienced in our region, line staff are often first to events like these – making areas safe for emergency services to access remote areas where people need help. It's a critical service to our community and one we value greatly. You'll see TLC are recruiting – they could have the job for you.

Lastly, a key benefit of being community owned will appear on WESCT customer energy bills – it's the TLC Discount.

Tēnei te mihi ki a koutou katoa.

William Oliver – WESCT Chair



Enjoy your TLC Discount!

\$4.2M* in TLC Discount payments are targeted to go back to customers last financial year – all because The Lines Company is 100% owned by WESCT, your customer Trust.

WESCT Customers will see their latest TLC Discount appear on their electricity bill soon.

The discount is based on price plans and bills between 1 November 2022 and 31 March 2023.

*Values are exclusive of GST.

Community funding round set to help locals

Applications for TLC's latest round of community funding **open on 1 June**. Local groups can **apply by 30 June** at www.thelinescompany.co.nz/sponsorship

Reminder A-Trustee Elections

Three WESCT trustee positions are up for election in September. If you want to learn more about the role of the trustees visit www.wesct.org.nz/elections/

TLC are hiring!

Grow a rewarding career at TLC, check out current vacancies at <https://www.thelinescompany.co.nz/about-us/work-for-us/>