



Nau mai! Welcome to the WESCT 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

November 2023

Chair's comment

Thank you to WESCT Customers who attended the Annual Meeting in Ōtorohanga last month.

You can read the 2023 Annual Report on our website. Key points for customers:

- WESCT customers received a discount from TLC of \$4.2m (excl. GST) during FY23.
- WESCT had a net profit after tax of \$13k. We aim to operate close to a breakeven position and hold contingency funds.
- William Oliver was reappointed as Chair by Trustees.
- Erin Wirihana joins as an Appointed Trustee, replacing Carolyn Christian.

We thank Carolyn for her outstanding contribution of skills and time to our Trust. Carolyn's work in our community is a significant commitment and we appreciate the support she lent to us.

William Oliver – WESCT Chair

Familiar faces in top jobs at TLC

Two new general managers (GM) have been appointed to TLC's executive team. Waitomo local Kyle Barnes joins as GM future energy, responsible for identifying and delivering innovative energy solutions for TLC's customers.

Craig Hackett will drive the company's strategic initiatives for business improvement and growth as GM operational excellence.



Ōtorohanga College hospitality students Jaymee and Eve preparing the catering for the Annual Meeting of WESCT Customers. The food was a big hit.



Introducing 'A' Trustee - Yvette Ronaldson

Yvette has lived in the district since 2014 with her husband and two boys on their sheep and beef farm in Aria.

She has significant experience in communications and marketing and has worked in the electricity sector for more than a decade and is currently a marketing manager for energy retailer Genesis.

Electricity Trusts Conference

Trustees attended the ETNZ Spring Conference in Invercargill this month. Lots of thought-provoking sessions on decarbonisation, energy infrastructure projects, investment in hydrogen, and we heard from NZ's largest power user the NZ Aluminum Smelter.

As WESCT Chair, William represented our region leading a governance session on Director policies alongside Waitaki Power Trustee Lichelle Guyan.