

# *Whakaputa i ō whakaaro* **Have your say**



**Statement of Proposal: Joining Regional  
Shared Services Council Controlled Organisation**



# What is proposed?

***Regional Software Holdings Limited is a Council Controlled Organisation that provides software solutions and other shared services to Regional Councils across New Zealand. This organisation is proposing changes to expand its services.***

***The Bay of Plenty Regional Council is proposing to join this expanded organisation as a shareholder.***

The 16 Regional Councils and Unitary Authorities in Aotearoa New Zealand work together on areas of shared interest, but now wish to take this arrangement a step further through the creation of a shared services company. This is in response to:

- Increased demands from Central Government to deliver a broad range of reform packages.
- Capacity and capability challenges and competition between councils to attract and retain talent.
- Expectations from our communities for councils to do more with less.

This change will enable improved outcomes from investment into national programmes of work. It will also improve access to specialist and resource,

reducing costs and sharing risk. The shareholders of the council-controlled organisation will be a number of regional councils and unitary authorities.

Council intends to become a shareholder and contribute to the operating costs of the council-controlled organisation. These contributions will replace existing contributions to national programmes, and will be at a similar cost. The Council will maintain its ownership of the council-controlled organisation as long as it continues to operate and the Council continues to utilise the services provided by the council-controlled organisation.

Once established, the council-controlled organisation will prepare a statement of intent. This statement of intent will form the basis of key performance targets and other measures by which the performance of the council-controlled organisation may be judged. Becoming a shareholder will give Council greater input and control into the work that is planned to be delivered.

Council will receive your feedback through written submissions. People who make a written submission can also speak to their submission if they wish at hearings scheduled for 17 May 2022.

You can make a submission online at [www.participate.boprc.govt.nz/RSSO](http://www.participate.boprc.govt.nz/RSSO) and also by email to [RSSO@boprc.govt.nz](mailto:RSSO@boprc.govt.nz) or by using the form at the back of this document.

## Submissions close at 5:00 pm, Wednesday 4 May 2022.

**Have your say**  
*4 April – 4 May*

**Hearings**  
*17 May*

**Deliberations**  
*18 May*

**Decision whether  
to join CCO**  
*Late June 2022*

## Your details

## Want to submit in person?

## Optional Information

☐ Other ethnicity:

## Your submission

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