

## **Epilepsy Waikato Charitable Trust**

**Board of Trustees AGM at:** 6.30 pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025

**Venue:** Trust Waikato, 4 Little London Lane, Hamilton Central/Teams (online)

### ***Patron's Message for the 2025 AGM (18<sup>th</sup> September 2025)***

I have had the privilege of serving as Patron of the Epilepsy Waikato Charitable Trust since its inception in 2011. I continue to remain grateful for that close association, and proud of all that those who have served as board members, field advisors, or in other capacities have achieved over many years in the support of those who live with the many different forms of epilepsy in our region.

At last years AGM, it was my privilege and great pleasure to present Maria and David Lowe with their certificates of life membership of EWCT. Both have served our trust so faithfully and well over many years, and were equally active during the dark days that made the formation of the trust necessary over 14 years ago. I know they will continue to support the trust in various ways, and I'm sure we all wish them well as they ease into partial retirement.

Usually when I write my Patron's message, there have one or two activities that I have been involved in during the year in review that I have been able to comment upon. I apologise for not having been as active in the past year! However, I continue to watch with admiration all that is being done and it is a pleasure to see the trust going from strength to strength in serving our epilepsy community, with fresh blood, ideas and commitment.

As always, I extend deep gratitude to all the philanthropic organisations, businesses and individuals who support the work of EWCT in our community, including making some valuable publications possible. In difficult financial times, when there is such strong demand for charitable support across numerous important causes, it is humbling to receive their support.

I hope to be present at this years AGM in order to convey my appreciation to the board and epilepsy advisor in person, and I extend my best wishes to all members and to those who will accept office for the year ahead.

**Tim Macindoe,  
Patron, EWCT**