



## STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP TEAM (SLT)



**KERRY GREGORY**  
SERVICE DELIVERY



**BRENDAN NALLY**  
PEOPLE



**RUSSELL WOOD**  
ORGANISATIONAL  
STRATEGY AND  
CAPABILITY  
DEVELOPMENT



**TBC**  
FINANCE AND  
BUSINESS  
OPERATIONS



**RAEWYN BLEAKLEY**  
OFFICE OF THE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

### BACKGROUNDS

#### KERRY GREGORY

Kerry's career in the emergency sector began in 1990 when he joined the NZ Fire Service as a firefighter. Kerry progressed through the ranks of that organisation to Area Manager in 2010, and then to Fire Region Manager in 2014 before acting as the Deputy National Commander in 2017 leading into Fire Emergency NZ. Kerry was a board member of the Northern Rural Fire Authority, member of the NRFA National Incident Management Team and is a current member of the Institute of Directors.

Kerry is a graduate of the Australasian Institute of Police Management Executive Development Program, Executive Leadership Program and AFAC Strategic Command Program. He holds a Diploma in Management, in Urban Fire and Rescue Operations, and a Post Graduate Certificate in Applied Management.

#### BRENDAN NALLY

Brendan's career in the fire and emergency sector spans 26 years, starting as a recruit in Invercargill and moving through the ranks. This includes Area Commander roles in three Areas and four years as a Fire Region Commander in Regions 4 and 3 respectively. Brendan became part of the current SLT in the role of Director People and Capability in October 2017 on secondment and was appointed substantively into that role in February 2018.

Brendan has a Masters Degree in Emergency Management from Charles Sturt University, and a Graduate Diploma in Applied Management from Massey University.

#### RUSSELL WOOD

Russell has over 10 years' experience at senior executive level across three complex Crown entities within the NZ public sector, as well as a secondment at the New Zealand Treasury. This includes time as Acting Chief Executive. His current role is at New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) as the Deputy Chief Executive Strategic and Corporate Services. Russell has previously worked within the New Zealand Fire Service and the broader emergency management domain.

Russell is experienced in operations and organisational strategy development and deployment in leading organisational change. He has an in-depth knowledge of finance, people & capability, property, procurement, client experience, organisational performance, risk and assurance, and business continuity.

Russell has a post Graduate Diploma of Business and Administration, and a Bachelor of Business Studies from Massey University. He is also a graduate of the United States Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Programme.

#### RAEWYN BLEAKLEY

Raewyn has had an extensive career in senior managerial roles, including six and a half years in Chief Executive roles. Her career has had a specific focus on communications, operations and stakeholder management. Raewyn has also managed media, community engagement and risk and reputation management and mitigation.

During her career, Raewyn has had roles across the public, private and NGO sectors. These positions include: Chief Executive at Business Central (incorporating Wellington Employers' Chamber of Commerce); Chief Executive at Bus and Coach Association NZ, Rental Vehicle Association of NZ; and National Operations Manager at Hospitality Association of NZ. Her current role is at NZTA, where she began as the Regional Director Central before segueing into the General Manager Governance, Communications and Stakeholders role.

Raewyn has a Post Graduate Diploma of Science and a Bachelor of Consumer and Applied Sciences from Otago University.