



ADELE ROSE

Chief Executive
3R Group

Adele is 3R's CE leading a team of 30 working with multi-stakeholder companies/industries improving sustainability through product stewardship, waste reduction and resource recovery. Adele's skills include lateral, creative, and commercial thinking founded on 14 years practical experience. Working with diverse stakeholders across not-for-profit trusts, social enterprises, membership organisations, council, government and commercial entities not only requires commercial skills but also those in marketing/communication that influence behaviour change to effect change.

A member of Governance NZ with formal governance training and a volunteer. Current roles are board member for Business Central and representative on the BusinessNZ board and on the Āmiomio Aotearoa's Advisory Board. She also participates in MfE's advisory groups developing a new strategy and new legislation on waste for Aotearoa.

As we reset NZ's waste strategy anchored in remediating environmental harm and improving the wellbeing of all well into the future; our membership organisation needs to forge a courageous path for a broader "waste" sector responsible for delivering this new strategy. For 14 years Adele has been a familiar face at WasteMINZ contributing to *revolve*, facilitating, and presenting at conference, and hosting the online Hawke's Bay region hub last year. Representing our membership on the board is a new challenge she's up for; Adele will bring her commercial world experience in stewardship and the circular economy along with experienced governance.



ALEC MCNEIL

Solid Waste Manager
Marlborough District Council

Alec is the solid waste manager at MDC, responsible for the strategic planning and operational delivery of the region's waste management and minimisation services.

Alec has held senior governance and management roles within the waste sector since the 1990s and currently serves as a trustee on both the Agrecovery and WasteMINZ board. He understands the role of governance in providing strategic direction.

He is aware of the challenges facing WasteMINZ members, particularly within the primary industry sector and rural communities. He is interested in how WasteMINZ members can contribute to the wider discussions on product placement, material rationalisation and sustainable remanufacturing options.

Alec is in his final year of studying for a doctor of professional practice researching product stewardship.

He believes his experience, integrity, commitment, and open but direct approach can continue to be an asset to the WasteMINZ board. These qualities have contributed to effective and productive discussions focusing on practical, evidenced based and commercially viable outcomes that advance the interests of WasteMINZ members.

Alec has participated on a number of WasteMINZ sector working groups and is currently part of an international panel looking to advance a new approach to taking responsibility for products and packaging.

Advocacy for our industry and our members is Alec's key driver for seeking your vote to retain him on the WasteMINZ board.





ALICE GRACE

Director
Morrison Low

Alice is an existing WasteMINZ board member and a director at Morrison Low, a consulting firm recognised for its expertise in the planning, procurement and delivery of waste services. For 20 years, Alice has worked across the waste sector from consulting firms to waste companies to council organisations. She has board experience having sat on both the New Zealand and Australian board of Morrison Low.

Alice has specialist commercial and technical expertise in solid waste including collection services and associated facilities, landfill management and biosolids management.

Alice has been involved in the sector groups for WasteMINZ including Disposal to Land and Contaminated Land Management. She has also helped establish the new Recycling & Resource Recovery Sector Group.

She has enjoyed her first term on the WasteMINZ board and would like to continue. It is a dynamic and challenging time for the waste industry and WasteMINZ. Alice will continue to use a mix of technical and commercial skills, and relationships across the broad range of members to add value.

When she stood for election two years ago, the areas that were most important to her were reducing carbon emissions from waste and looking after worker wellbeing. As we navigate our ongoing response to Covid-19 and focus our attention on the circular economy, these remain top of mind.



CHRIS PURCHAS

Waste Sector Director
Tonkin + Taylor

Chris is a resource recovery and strategy specialist working across the waste sector in New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific. He has worked closely with multiple local authorities and other clients to identify and evaluate a range of options to maximise resource recovery and effectively manage residual waste. Prior to consulting he spent five years with the Ministry for the Environment working on waste and sustainability, meaning that he understands how government works in NZ.

An active participant in the waste and resource recovery sector he regularly presents at conferences and workshops and contributes to WasteMINZ projects. He chairs the WasteMINZ Organic Materials group, working on a range of key issues including clopyralid, biosolids and market development.

As current chair of the Organic Materials group Chris has seen first-hand the value of sector collaboration to address issues of common interest to the community, stakeholders and government. He would love the opportunity to bring this experience to the WasteMINZ board alongside his extensive knowledge of waste and resource recovery in New Zealand, Australia and the Pacific. With so much happening at a community, sector and government level it is more important than ever that we have a united voice and holistic approach to removing barriers and realising the opportunities in front of us.





CRAIG DOWNIE

Chief Executive EcoCentral

Craig is the CEO of EcoCentral, a Canterbury company that processes waste and recycling for Christchurch and the surrounding region. His team operates three transfer stations, a materials recycling facility and the EcoShop, a self funding recycling resale shop in Christchurch.

Their focus is on waste minimisation, maximising resource recovery and developing, then implementing innovative solutions. As a CCTO, EcoCentral prides itself on “doing the right thing” for the environment, residents and helping build and support a circular economy through their business activities.

Prior to joining EcoCentral Craig held senior management positions in a number of businesses, most recently with Heinz-Watties. He has a strong mix of strategic and operations management, with a passion for action, innovation and pragmatic solutions.

Recently there has been a global shift in waste and recycling management, so there is a need to be agile, innovative and aligned to develop the right future-proof solutions for New Zealand. The government has the intent but needs a tight group of industry experts to provide a strategic path. With his experience at board and management levels, Craig will bring the same innovative and pragmatic approach to WasteMINZ that he does with his EcoCentral team.

WasteMINZ is a great platform to align ideas, lobby for change and implement solutions. He welcomes the opportunity to help WasteMINZ lead the charge.



DAVE BULL

Director HAIL Environmental

Dave is director of HAIL Environmental, a site contamination specialist consultancy, and of a land development company, Maunga Teitei Development. He has been a WasteMINZ member since around 2005 and a member of the Institute of Directors since 2016. Dave should be a familiar face as he has presented at nearly every WasteMINZ conference since joining – you may have watched his keynote, Ban remediation, last year. Currently Dave is on the Disposal to Land committee, Residential Lead Working Group, and 2021 contaminated land workshop committee. His professional experience includes 15 years’ consulting, time served in the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment’s office, and recycling timber treatment chemicals at Fernz Timber Protection (now Osmose).

This is his third board nomination: He’s standing again because he still wants contaminated land represented on the board of its own professional body. In fact, it has never needed representation more. Advocacy, guidance, training and action are needed as the Natural and Built Environment Act develops, climate change kicks in, urban (re)development picks up pace, and as the spotlights go on unsustainable practices, unregulated professionals, and unresponsiveness to Māori. Of course there’s more to WasteMINZ than dirt – and from current projects including major fill site consenting, Dave is keenly aware the waste sector is also under pressure.





EMILY TAYLOR-HALL

**Manager - Waste Operations
Wellington City Council**

Emily is a kiwi who spent the first 12 years of her career as a chartered accountant in the UK's commercial sector. When she returned in 2009 she joined local government, where she found the waste sector more interesting than she ever imagined, and today Emily is the manager of waste operations at the Wellington City Council. It's a diverse role, where she leads a small, motivated team to manage a landfill, kerbside collections, closed landfills and waste minimisation. It's a tricky balance. She also looks after regulation and policy, emissions management/trading and is currently leading a strategic review of waste. Emily works closely with the commercial sector, consultants, local government and MfE, which has provided her with a deep knowledge of the sector.

The transition to a low carbon and waste economy has pushed waste centre stage politically. While this makes for a challenging and rewarding sector, it also means change. More than ever, WasteMINZ has a critical role as we sit on the precipice of this change. Emily has a deep understanding of the interdependencies of the various components of the waste ecosystem, and she can effectively steer WasteMINZ in the right direction, and in the right gear.

But it's not just her technical background. She brings energy, focus and accountability to the table. Emily understands governance and is a strong communicator, deeply engaged in the sector.



WAYNE PLUMMER

**General Manager - Technical Services
EnviroWaste Services**

Wayne is currently general manager – technical services at EnviroWaste Services. Wayne has been involved in the waste industry in New Zealand since 1991 and has held various board and executive roles with numerous waste and recycling related businesses over this period.

Wayne has been actively involved in WasteMINZ since 1996 spending 10 years on the Liquid and Hazardous Waste technical working group. Wayne has been a board member of WasteMINZ since 2015 and was elected chair in 2019. He is the current board champion for the Health and Safety sector group.

The last 18 months have been very challenging, especially for the WasteMINZ team during such a busy time of change. Thanks to the excellent WasteMINZ team, and current board members, the organisation has maintained a sound financial position and continued to deliver quality services and outcomes to its members.

The next 24 months will see some of the most transformational changes to the sector in a lifetime, and WasteMINZ will be at the forefront of those discussions. Given the current economic and social challenges facing New Zealand under the Covid-19 pandemic, now is not the time for change in the board make-up. Wayne has the experience required to support and guide WasteMINZ through this exciting next phase for the sector.

