

## New Zealand Shareholders Association

### The Organisation

New Zealand Shareholders Association is an incorporated society established nineteen years ago. The purpose of the Association is to:

*To represent, protect, and promote the interests of investors in shares and other investment products and*

*To promote and encourage an active, effective, fair and transparent market for raising capital and trading in shares and other Investment Products.*

Member services include:

- Advocacy and lobbying on behalf of members with listed companies; financial market regulators; financial service providers; industry bodies and government policy makers and Ministers.
- Proxy guidance and representation at company AGMs and SGMs
- Investor education
- Media commentary
- A bi-monthly investor magazine
- Provision of an informative and resourced website
- A Branch network that provides members with learning opportunities along with networking and socialising.

We currently have over 1,600 members and a core staff of four, plus significant national volunteer resources.

There are six branches in the major cities. They operate semi-independently in organising local activities, whilst policy and broader issues are the remit of the National office and Board.

The CEO is supported by a professional Board with a wide range of experience and capability, including experience in financial markets and investment; funds management; corporate leadership; business consulting; accounting services; entrepreneurship and corporate law.

The organisation is proud to have changed the face of the investment markets through championing the rights of shareholders with a particular emphasis on being the “voice” of smaller retail investors.