

# Southern District Health Board - Southland Constituency

## Electing 3 Board Members

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### **Lesley SOPER**

My principal place of residence is in the Southern District Health Board - Southland Constituency area. I am also standing for Councillor, Invercargill City Council.

It's time to put the public back into the Southern District Health Board, and to make sure that the Southland voice is heard loud and clear on public health issues and fair funding.

We need to ensure that the new tertiary hospital being built in Dunedin is a true regional facility, while ensuring that Southland hospital specialist clinics are strengthened, and rural health needs are properly met.

We need to get to the bottom of large deficits, and work with government to address those.

As a former deputy chair Southland District Health Board, (which built Kew hospital on time & on budget), and having unique experience to bring from my former parliamentary role on the health select committee, I offer strong governance skills. I also offer a recent legal degree, experience, commonsense, accountability, financial nous, and the ability to communicate effectively and work with others constructively on the restored SDHB.

#### *Conflict of Interest Statement*

To the best of my knowledge and belief, I have no conflicts of interest with the Southern District Health Board (SDHB) at the date of my notice of consent to being nominated as a candidate for the board of the SDHB, and I do not believe that any such conflicts of interest are likely to arise in the future.