

WAITEMATĀ LOCAL BOARD GOOD CITIZENS' AWARDS 2019

Next up is **Ruth Busch** who has been nominated by Margaret Antunovich of the Grey Lynn Citizens Advice Bureau for the selfless voluntary contributions of her skills and expertise over many years to benefit the vulnerable in her community.

Ruth has an extensive Curriculum Vitae as an academic and practitioner in family law, particularly in the area of family violence.

She has been part of law reform initiatives over the last 30 years and is still involved in the latest legislative proposals.

Ruth wrote the report which formed the basis of the Domestic Violence Act 1995 and her work on the Bristol Ministerial Inquiry led to the enactment of the violence provisions in the (now) Care of Children Act.

She is also a co-founder of the Hamilton Abuse Intervention Project, a domestic violence NGO which served as the pilot project for New Zealand.

We are very fortunate to have Ruth volunteer her expertise and time on a weekly basis to the Grey Lynn Citizen's Advice Bureau where she brings all her experience to bear offering a fully subscribed, free advice by appointment family law clinic.

Congratulations Ruth!