## **Ravensdown director election 2024** *Candidate profiles and 'letter ratings' – South Island area*

## **KATE FAULKS**

Kate notes her commitment to the co-operative model and its value to NZ agribusiness. She is building into governance roles and draws from experience in the energy and primary sectors.

She is an active farmer and director of Altavady Farm and Glenkerry Farm (part of a six farm beef, dairy and forestry family farming group) and a member of the North Otago Sustainable Land Management Group steering board.

Since 2022, Kate has been the Board Intern of Port Otago and its subsidiary Chalmers Properties (contributes at board meetings but does not have voting rights). She has developed insight to scale commercial governance, strategy development, working with senior management, engaging with regulatory shareholders (Otago Regional Council), and staffing and H&S matters.

Kate's earlier career at Exxon Mobil included roles as project engineer and terminal manager. She was responsible for managing technical queries, procurement, contracting and commissioning, H&S, risk management and financial planning.

Kate is a critical thinker and 'quick study' with new information. She values collaboration and constructive challenge in discussion to test ideas and build toward consensus.

Kate has a Master of Business Administration (First Class) and a Bachelor of Chemical and Process Engineering (Honours). She has completed the To the Core governance course (and the Extension programme).