



## Bio - Mark Powell

I have worked for more than 18 years for the New Zealand Fire Service (FENZ), serving across the Hutt Valley and Wellington areas. My current position is Station officer at Brooklyn Fire Station on Blue watch, where I lead a dedicated team.

My strengths lie in compassion, integrity and attention to detail, including knowledge of employment law and due process.

I am driven to successfully serve the New Zealand community and even more passionate about the psychological well-being of the employees in Fire and Emergency NZ, as well as their families and loved ones.

This approach has allowed me to have perspective and understanding of my fellow firefighters and the unique and often challenging work that is carried out every day.

I want to ensure our members and their families are looked after at all points in the Fire Service journey. This should cover both during and after employment - from wage negotiations to employment conditions, mental health and the everyday dealings on and off the trucks.

I am supported in this role by my partner and my family.