

2026 INFINZ AWARDS

2026 Winners Announced

The Winners were announced at the INFINZ Awards Gala Dinner on 14 May 2026 at Shed 10 in Auckland

NZX – Emerging Leader Best Investor Relations

- Channel Infrastructure

MUFG Pension & Market Services - Large-Cap Best Investor Relations

- Contact Energy

KPMG - Corporate ESG Award

- Tax Traders

Public Trust - Diversified Growth Fund Manager

- Milford Asset Management

PwC NZ - NZ Equity Market Transaction of the Year

- Vital Healthcare's NZ\$190m Placement and NZ\$45m Unit Purchase Plan

Arranger, Joint Lead Manager and Underwriter: **Craigs Investment Partners**
Joint Lead Managers and Underwriters: **Barrenjoey, Forsyth Barr**

Hunter Campbell - Emerging Leader of the Year

- Rebecca Kingi

Johnson Partners - Leadership Award

- Sophie Moloney

MinterEllisonRuddWatts - M&A Transaction of the Year

- Contact Energy's NZ\$2.6bn acquisition of Manawa Energy

Transacting Entity: **Contact Energy**

Joint Lead Financial Advisors: **Cameron Partners, UBS**

Independent ECM advisor: **Rothschild & Co**

BDO - Mid-Market M&A Transaction of the Year

- Merger of Forest360 and PF Olsen, supported by Adamantem Capital

Financial advisor: **KPMG**

Fitch Ratings - Innovation in Financial Services

- Taxi – Business Funding Financial Services Platform

Computershare - NZ Debt Market Issue of the Year

- Community Housing Funding Agency, Inaugural offer of NZ\$200m social bonds

Issuer: **Community Housing Funding Agency**

Advisor: **Intemark**

Arranger, Lead Manager, Sustainability

Coordinator: **ANZ**

INFINZ Distinguished Fellows

- Alison Gerry
- Mark Butcher

Chapman Tripp - Debt Deal of the Year

- 280GWh Tauhei Solar Farm: Senior debt facilities

Sponsor, Developer: **Harmony Energy**

Sponsor: **First Renewables**

Financial Advisor, Lender, Issuing Bank and

Facility Agent: **MUFG**

Lender, hedging bank and Issuing Bank: **BNZ**

Lenders and hedging banks: **ANZ, ASB**

Tax Management New Zealand (TMNZ) - Mid-Market Debt Transaction of the Year

- Totara Learning Solutions: Debt facilities

Borrower: **Totara Learning**

Sponsor: **Tenzing Private Equity**

Lender: **BNZ**

Foundation North - Te Tohu Kahukura Māori Leadership in Finance Award

- Jamie Tuuta
- Michael Pohio

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