For brevity’s sake and continuity with past research, the Department of Labour uses the term with the longest currency in New Zealand, “worker participation” to cover all these viewpoints.

To qualify for this description, any given arrangement must allow employees to make a greater contribution to decision-making allowing for financial rewards keyed to the company’s performance. Schemes where unions go into business with, or subcontract to, their employers are also included in the concept.

The Department of Labour wishes to contact:
(a) Firms and unions practising worker participation;
(b) Organisations conducting research into worker participation;
in order to update its records in response to the many requests received for information. Anonymity will be preserved if desired. Please send details to:
THE DIRECTOR,
Research and Planning Division,
Department of Labour,
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WELLINGTON.

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