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**Dear Victor Bokulic** 

## Your Departmental official information request, reference OIA19/20-0224

Thank you for your request of 8 September 2019 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"Copies of the Annual Dog Control reports submitted by Far North District Council (FNDC) as required under the Dog Control ACT 1996, Section 10A for the following periods 2015/2016, 2016/2017, 2017/2018 and 2018/2019."

The documents requested are publicly available, therefore I am refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Act.

The Far North District Council (the Council) is responsible for reporting annual dog control reports. The Council's most recent annual dog control report for 2018/2019 can be found by visiting the Council's website at www.fndc.govt.nz by selecting "Dogs" under the "Our Services" tab and then clicking the report labelled "view statistics and read an overview of policies and procedures". Other reports can be found on the website. If you would like more information on this matter, you could make a Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (1987) request to the Council.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Act, to seek an investigation and review of this decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. The postal address of the Office of the Ombudsman is PO Box 10152, Wellington. Alternatively, you can phone 0800 802 602 or email info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely

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**Director Operational Services**