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Tēnā koe Hemi

I refer to your email message of 27 May 2021 in which you ask for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982.

*“Can you please provide a copy of the content of the NZ Dating website chat Reginald Korau engaged in whilst a teacher at Napier Boys High.”*

I have assumed you are referring to matters discussed in the Disciplinary Tribunal decision found here <https://teachingcouncil.nz/assets/Uploads/CAC-v-Korau-NZDT-2017-17.pdf>

The information you have requested was compiled as evidence for the Complaints Assessment Committee (CAC). We have carefully considered the information held in our system and assessed its release under the Official Information Act. We have concluded that it is unable to be provided to you on the basis that information compiled for the CAC is inherently private, and subject to confidentiality.

It is important that you understand that CAC proceedings are confidential due to the operation of Rule 64 of the Teaching Council Rules 2016. This provides, as follows:

**64 Confidentiality**

(1) Information disclosed to, or held by, a competence assessor, the Competence Authority, or the Complaints Assessment Committee in respect of a report or complaint or other matter is confidential.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Sandra Kelman, Government Relations & Information Manager who may be able to provide further assistance should you be willing to change or refine your request. Her email address is [sandra.kelman@teachingcouncil.nz](mailto:sandra.kelman@teachingcouncil.nz).

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pauline Barnes".

Pauline Barnes  
Deputy Chief Executive Professional Services