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Dear John Luke

Thank you for your email of 7 July 2021 requesting meeting minutes from the National Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (NAWAC). Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested the following:

*I noted on your website,*

<https://www.mpi.govt.nz/animals/animal-welfare/national-animal-welfare-advisory-committee/national-animal-welfare-advisory-committee-meetings/>

*The full meeting minutes is only available until 18 February 2020, may I kindly request the full meeting minutes from 18 February 2020 to 19 May 2021 and asked you the published these full meeting minutes on your website for public transparency reasons.*

These minutes will all be published online at the website address you provided, by the end of August 2021. Therefore, your request for NAWAC's meeting minutes from 8 February 2020 to 19 May 2021 has been refused pursuant to section 18(d) of the OIA as the information requested will soon be publicly available. NAWAC is working to make all of its minutes available online as soon as they are ratified, ongoing. This is in addition to the meeting summaries that are published after each meeting.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at [Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz). Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely



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