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John Luke

By email: fyi-request-16474-2da8dc16@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Luke

Request for Official Information

We write further to our letter of 22 October 2021, in which we responded to your request for official information in the form of remuneration data of Board members and notified you of a time extension to make our decision and release the requested Board minutes. We are pleased to advise we have granted your request in relation to the Board minutes and **enclose** the approved meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees of the National Provident Fund (**NPF**) from 1 January 2020 to 9 November 2021 (inclusive). Certain information is withheld under the following grounds of the Official Information Act 1982:

- Section 9(2)(a): 'to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons'.
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii): 'to protect information where the making available of the information ... would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information'.
- Section 9(2)(ba)(i): 'to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence ... where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information or information from the same source and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied'.
- Section 9(2)(g)(i): 'to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between...members of an organisation and employees or any...organisation in the course of their duty'.
- Section 9(2)(h): 'to maintain legal professional privilege'.
- Section 9(2)(i): 'to enable...any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities'.
- Section 9(2)(j): 'to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)'.

We trust this responds to your question. However, if you wish to discuss any aspect of your request or this response, please contact us at enquiries@npf.co.nz.

You also have the right to request the Ombudsman review this decision. More information about the Ombudsman is available at www.ombudsman.govt.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Philippa Drury

General Manager, Schemes

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The approved meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees of the National Provident Fund from 1 January 2020 to 9 November 2021(inclusive).