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Tēnā koe John

**Information Request – Local Advisory Committees**

I refer to your official information request dated 29 November 2021 asking for information on Fire and Emergency's Local Advisory Committees ("LACs"). You asked:

*"May I kindly ask if there is any further updates on this and any timeline been set. You previously response mentioned*

*'We will be evaluating the establishment of the first seven LACs before setting up the remaining LACs. The evaluation is planned for 2021 and we will be incorporating the findings from the evaluation into future plans for establishing LACs across the country.'*

*May I ask if the evaluation been completed or not and what's the updates on the evaluation. Can you release the evaluation report if it has been completed?"*

Fire and Emergency New Zealand has received *the Formative evaluation of Local Advisory Committees Report* (Report) about LACs prepared by independent evaluator Litmus Research and Evaluation. Fire and Emergency will be making the Report publicly available. As such, we have made a decision to decline your request for a copy of the report under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the information requested will soon be publicly available.

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

Nāku noa, nā

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