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Tēnā koe John

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your request dated 12 Kohitātea 2022 for information sent via the FYI.org.nz website, where you sought the following information:

“I noted you have a nomination service

May I ask how is your process of nominating people and how many people registered within your registry. Also, how many people you have successfully nominated to a position from the past two year, may I have all the name of successful applicant and the position they have been successful on.

If possible, may I also get the list of positions that you have nominated people to from your registry in the past two year.”

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your request. The FYI.org.nz website automatically forwards requests from its site to the default address of info@tpk.govt.nz. Unfortunately, automatic forwarding is a characteristic of many email SPAM delivery systems, and, in this case, your request went to a Te Puni Kōkiri SPAM mail folder. I acknowledge that the reasons provided do not excuse the late response. An apology for an oversight, however, is often more meaningful if it is accompanied by an explanation for how the situation arose.

Similarly, I wish to assure you that Te Puni Kōkiri has taken steps to prevent a repetition of this issue. Specifically, we have asked that FYI.org.nz update its system information to auto-forward future information requests to the dedicated OIA email address at Te Puni Kōkiri oia@tpk.govt.nz.

Response

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (**Act**). The documents and my decisions regarding the release of the information are set out in the **Appendix**. In addition, I have addressed each of the points you raised in your request below.

“How is your process of nominating people?”

Te Puni Kōkiri helps ensure that individuals with a commitment to Māori development are considered for appointment to public bodies, in part by inviting people to register their interest. Te Puni Kōkiri follows the following process:

1. We receive a request for nominations from an agency managing the process of appointments to a public sector entity.
2. We review the requirements for the position.
3. We search our database for individuals who match the requirements for the position.

4. We send a list of matching individuals to the agency.
5. The relevant person makes the appointment, for example a Minister or the Governor-General (after the matter is put before Cabinet's Appointments and Honours Committee).

There are some public bodies to which the Minister for Māori Development makes appointments or recommends that the Governor-General do so. Te Puni Kōkiri manages these appointment processes on the Minister's behalf and in these instances may also advertise the vacant position.

“How many people registered within your registry?”

Te Puni Kōkiri has a database of approximately 1,200 registered persons which we draw on when nominations are requested.

“How many people you have successfully nominated to a position from the past two year?”

Te Puni Kōkiri receives numerous requests for nominees from across the public sector. We will rarely be advised of successful or non-successful appointments for those nominees. Accordingly, I refuse this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

With respect to appointments with which the Minister for Māori Development is involved (as above), however, I can provide the names and positions of those appointed. Please see Attachment 1 and 2.

“May I have all the name of successful applicant and the position they have been successful on?”

We will rarely be advised of successful applicants and the positions they have been appointed to. Accordingly, I refuse this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

With respect to appointments with which the Minister for Māori Development is involved (as above), however, I can provide the names and positions of those appointed. Please see Attachment 1 and 2.

“May I also get a list of positions that you have nominated people to from your registry in the past two year?”

Te Puni Kōkiri has sent names of persons from its database to agencies administering appointments to the following:

- Te Taura Whiri I Te Reo Māori
- Te Māngai Pāho
- Māori Television Service
- Te Tumu Paeroa Trustee
- Te Mātāwai
- Waitangi Tribunal
- Poutama Trust
- Māori Land Court Judges
- Te Ariki Trust
- Crown Infrastructure Partners Ltd
- Valuers Registration Board
- New Zealand Symphony Orchestra

- Broadcasting Standards Authority
- Archives Council / Te Rua Wānanga
- Conservation Boards
- Māori Soldiers Trust
- Game Animal Council
- Queen Elizabeth II National Trust
- Chair Te Puia NZMACI Management Limited
- Te Pou Tupua
- Kaupapa Māori Expert Advisory Panel
- The Army Leadership Board
- Oil Pollution Advisory Committee
- District Health Boards
- New Zealand Meat Board
- Human Rights Commission Audit Committee
- University Councils
- Waka Kotahi & City Rail Link
- Milford Opportunities Board
- Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa – Creative New Zealand
- Takeovers Panel
- ACC Board
- Agricultural Marketing and Research
- Accreditation Council
- Marsden Fund Council
- NZ Media Council Public
- Ministerial Advisory Committee – Public Media Entity
- Related Product Appeals Committee (Vaping)
- Remuneration Authority

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address, or contact details.

I trust my response satisfies your request, if you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact oia@tpk.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi



Steven Sutton

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Appendix – documents OIA request from John Luke

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1.	22 03 2022	<i>Attachment One - Appointments made by the Minister for Māori Development, or recommended to be made by the Governor-General for Year 2020</i>	Released
2.	22 03 2022	<i>Attachment Two - Appointments made by the Minister for Māori Development, or recommended to be made by the Governor General for Year 2021</i>	Released