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Official information request No. 8140009805
(Please quote this in any correspondence)

Mark Mumby

By email: fyi-request-18195-ca731703@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Mark

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Re: Covid Infection Rate

Thank you for your email of 14 January 2022. Your specific request and our response are set out below.

Phil Goff was quoted as saying -

“Research shows that the risk of infection between two unvaccinated people is 20-fold higher than between two vaccinated people”

and is published on your web site -

<https://ourauckland.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/news/2021/11/auckland-council-s-staffed-facilities-to-require-vaccination-passes/>

There are no references to any research that may prove this.

1. Can you please provide the documentation/research that proves - risk of infection between two unvaccinated people is 20-fold higher than between two vaccinated people

You have requested the source of the following statement published on *Our Auckland* and made by Mayor Phil Goff: “Research shows that the risk of infection between two unvaccinated people is 20-fold higher than between two vaccinated people”.

This information was sourced from an article in *The Conversation* and republished by *Stuff*, authored by Christopher Baker, Research Fellow in Statistics for Biosecurity Risk at The University of Melbourne, and Andrew Robinson, Chief Executive Officer of the Centre of Excellence for Biosecurity Risk Analysis at The University of Melbourne.

This article can be read online at either of the following links:

<https://theconversation.com/your-unvaccinated-friend-is-roughly-20-times-more-likely-to-give-you-covid-170448>

<https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/health/coronavirus/300441329/your-unvaccinated-friend-is-roughly-20-times-more-likely-to-give-you-covid>

2. Can you also please provide any meeting minutes (links or video is suitable) of councillors where vaccination mandates were discussed.

We will soon be publishing information about our approach to vaccinations on our website, including information on how the decisions were made. Therefore, your request is refused under Section 17 (d) of the LGOIMA, as it will soon be publicly available.

3. Can you please supply how the members of the council voted to agree to the mandates if there was a vote taken.

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Decisions relating to the information that is being released to you were made by **Paul Robertson General Manager Health Safety & Wellbeing and Rose Leonard General Manager Governance Services.**

Should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request, you have the right by way of complaint, under section 27(3) of the LGOIMA, to apply to the Ombudsman to seek an investigation and review of the decision.

Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries, please contact me on 09 301 0101 quoting official information request number 8140009805.

Ngā mihi



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