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Tēnā koe John Luke

I refer to your request received on 17 January 2022, which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), for the following information:

- *“a list of vacancy (ministerial appointment only, e.g. board member, Lay member, Trustee etc) that the nomination period has been closed but still under consideration by the Minister or Department. In your list, can you please included the date that vacancy been advertised, when the vacancy been closed and how you call for nomination (e.g. seek website etc) as well.”*
- *“Also, I would like to know if you have any future opening in 2022. e.g. the position that will call for nomination in the year of 2022.”*

As a response to your first request (the first bullet above), currently Manatū Taonga is in the process of commissioning an advertisement for the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa. However, there are currently no other vacancies being considered by one of the four Ministers Manatū Taonga supports with board appointments.

In respect of both of your requests, Manatū Taonga is releasing to you details of members and chairs whose terms are expiring in 2022. You will note that the names, positions, and expiry dates of present terms are included in each table. When the membership of a board member is coming up for expiry, Manatū Taonga will initiate the Cabinet appointments process once the member has confirmed their availability to serve another term.

However, in some instances where a member confirms that they are unavailable to serve a further term or they have resigned, then a vacancy will be available. In these cases, Manatū Taonga may seek approval from the appropriate Minister to do one of the following:

- a) Consider potential replacement board member candidates from an existing nominations database kept by Manatū Taonga governance and appointments team; or*
- b) Approve Manatū Taonga governance and appointments team to advertise for the vacant board member position on websites such as Seek.*

Expression of interest forms, nomination forms, candidate CVs and other related documents are regularly received and filed in the Manatū Taonga nominations database for future use.

Links are provided below that you may find useful for understanding the appointment process as administered by Manatū Taonga:

Details on agency boards and nomination processes: <https://mch.govt.nz/what-we-do/agency-boards-nominations>

Board Expression of Interest Form:

<https://mch.govt.nz/sites/default/files/Expressions%20of%20Interest%20Form%202019%20%28D-0870769%29.DOC>

Crown Entities Act 2004:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2004/0115/latest/whole.html>

Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 2014:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2014/0001/latest/whole.html>

New Zealand Symphony Orchestra Act 2004:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2004/0020/latest/whole.html>

Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa Act 1992:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1992/0019/latest/dlm260204.html>

Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2014/0026/latest/DLM4005414.html>

New Zealand Film Commission Act 1978:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1978/0061/latest/DLM22640.html>

Broadcasting Act 1989:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1989/0025/latest/whole.html>

Sport and Recreation New Zealand Act 2002:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2002/0038/latest/whole.html>


Sports Anti-Doping Act 2006:

<https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2006/0058/latest/whole.html>

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact oa@mch.govt.nz.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā


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