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Tēnā koe Chloe

OIA request 21/22 0798 Request for Independent Celebrant statistics

Thank you for your Official Information Act (Act) request received by the Department of Internal Affairs (Department) on 27 May 2022.

You requested –

The following information broken down each year from 2016-2021 (inclusive), and year to date 2022 for the Waikato Region:

- 1. Total number of marriages registered by an independent celebrant;*
- 2. Total number of marriages registered by Chloe Boerema (Maiden name) & Chloe Wiles (Married name) not based on location (Celebrant # 51852)*
- 3. The (approx) 10 independent celebrants that have officiated the greatest amount of marriages in 2021; and how many each conducted.*

In response to your request I can provide you with the following information.

Question one

Please find Appendix A, attached. Appendix A provides you with the number of marriages by registered by independent celebrants in the Waikato region for the period 1 January 2016 to 31 May 2022.

Question two

Please find Appendix B, attached. Appendix B provides you with the total number marriages, listed by date, performed by Chloe Boerema/Chloe Wiles.

Question three

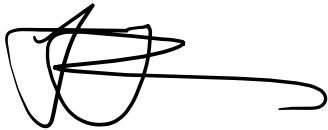
I can advise you that the information sought is already publicly available. Therefore, I must refuse this part of your request pursuant to section 18(d) of the Act; that the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

You can find the relevant information published on the data.govt.nz website here:

<https://catalogue.data.govt.nz/dataset/independent-marriage-civil-union-celebrants-number-of-ceremonies-performed/resource/90554172-dc22-4881-a13f-bab5543bdf4b>.

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.

Ngā mihi

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Julia Taylor
Manager Operational Policy and Official Correspondence
Service Delivery and Operations