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Tēnā koe John

Thank you for your email of 4 February 2023, requesting updated information about Corrections' Patron Programme. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You have requested:

*Mai I kindly ask you provide an updates on the wing patron's list and their bio from 1st June 2021 to now.*

Since our previous correspondence on 21 June 2021 (our reference C137561), there have been two new wing Patrons, appointed in June and July 2021:

- Richard Bengé MNZM
- Aliya Danzeisen

Biographical information for the two patrons is publicly available online, and therefore your request for this information is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information requested is publicly available.

*Also how many nominations from general public you have received so far between 1st June 2021 to now, how many you have approved, how many you have declined and how many you still under consideration.*

Presently, we rely on the public approaching us for any public nominations for a Patron role. Between the date ranges that you have specified, we have not been approached for any public nominations. As mentioned in our October 2019 correspondence, the general public are welcome to put forward nominations. If you have someone in mind, please forward your nomination to: [info@corrections.govt.nz](mailto:info@corrections.govt.nz).

Please note that this response may be published on Corrections' website. Typically, responses are published quarterly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

I trust the information provided is of assistance. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise them with Corrections. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brigid Kean', written in a cursive style.

Brigid Kean  
Deputy National Commissioner