



**National Emergency
Management Agency**
Te Rākau Whakamarumarū

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Ref: OIA-2022/23-0702

Dear John Luke

Official Information Act request relating to meeting minutes of the National Public Education Reference Group

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 22 March 2023. You requested:

" I noted, <https://www.civildefence.govt.nz/cdem-sector/public-education/national-public-education-reference-group/> "4.2. The Reference Group shall meet in Wellington as needed and on times agreed as determined by the Director."

May I kindly request the full meeting minutes of this group since establishment.

Also, "5.2. The project leader will circulate meeting notes and action points to members of the Group as soon after the meeting as practicable, and within three weeks of the meeting, and ensure that the information is available on the website once finalised" I have not seem any available on your website, as per your term of reference and to ensure transparency, I encourage you make these information available on the website as soon as possible. "

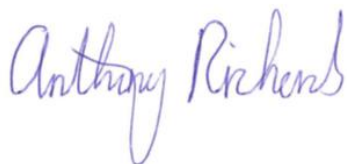
We have decided to grant your request. However, it will take us more time to prepare the information for release, as we will need to consider withholding some information under the following sections of the Act:

1. section 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of individuals
2. section 9(2)(f)(iv), to maintain the confidentiality of advice tendered by or to Ministers and officials
3. section 9(2)(g)(i), to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinion
4. section 9(2)(j), to enable negotiations to be carried on without prejudice or disadvantage

A response will be provided to you as soon as possible.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Anthony Richards". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'A'.

Anthony Richards
Chief Advisor to Deputy Chief Executive, Emergency Management