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Tēnā koe John

Thank you for your email of 27 September 2023 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting information around ministerial appointments. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

I have addressed each of your questions below.

*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 Oranga Tamariki or relevant Minister.*

*In your list, can you please included the date that vacancy been advertised, what method you have used to publicly advertise the position, how many application you have received and when the vacancy been closed as well.*

As at the date of your request, there were no vacancies for Ministerial appointments that had been closed but were still under consideration. Since then, the nomination period has closed for one vacancy. This information is set out in the following table.

Grievance Panel Member Vacancy	Date Advertised	Date Closed	Number of Applications received
One community member for Te Poutama Ārahi Rangatahi which is a 12-bed residence delivering the Harmful Sexual Behaviour Programme in Christchurch.	25 September 2023 (Oranga Tamariki website and Seek)	6 October 2023	23
	28 September 2023 (NZ Government Jobs)		

A Grievance Panel is appointed to oversee grievances lodged in accordance with the procedures in the Oranga Tamariki (Residential Care) Regulations 1996. Each panel member is appointed by the Minister for Children on the nomination of the Chief Executive of Oranga Tamariki, following consultation with the Principal Youth Court Judge, the Principal Family Court Judge, and the Children and Young People's Commission. Each panel also includes a tangata whenua member from the area in which the residence is situated. Further information regarding Grievance Panels is available at: [www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/youth-justice/youth-justice-residences/residence-grievance-panels/](http://www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/youth-justice/youth-justice-residences/residence-grievance-panels/).

*Also, I would like to know if you have any future opening in 2024. e.g. the position that will call for nomination in the year of 2024*

There are currently no future vacancies requiring Ministerial appointment in 2024.

Oranga Tamariki may make the information contained in this letter available to the wider public shortly. We will do this by publishing this letter on our website. Your personal details will be deleted and we will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

I trust the information provided is useful. I encourage you to raise any concerns about the response with [OIA\\_Requests@ot.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz). Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman by contacting them on 0800 802 602 or at [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Nāku noa, nā



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