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Tēnā koe John

INFORMATION REQUEST – Board Intern Programme

We write in response to your email dated 24 November 2023 in which you requested the following information:

I noted,
<https://www.tauranga.govt.nz/council/council-news-and-updates/latest-news/artmid/456/articleid/9350>

May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations mostly recently, e.g. govt.jobs website. Also, how many applications you have received from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc. Also, can you please supply the term of appointment and its pay rate.

We have considered your request in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (“**LGOIMA**”) and respond as follows:

This is the second year of the council-controlled organisation (CCO) Board Intern Programme, which is a collaboration with the Ministry for Ethnic Communities. It aims to increase diversity on our CCO boards and to provide a pipeline of prospective emerging board members in the Bay of Plenty.

We advertised the internship with the Bay Venues Limited Board this year through the following channels:

- Institute of Directors’ advertising channels – newsletter, website and social media
- Appoint Better Boards advertising channels – newsletter, website and social media
- Tauranga City Council LinkedIn Page, YouTube channel, and website
- Shared the advertisement with our Community Development Team’s networks to request wider distribution across diverse community groups
- Shared the advertisement with our other CCOs, requesting they also share it on their social media pages and with their networks.

We received 31 applications, which were all direct applications rather than from nominating agencies. We shortlisted and interviewed three candidates.

The CCO Board Internship is a voluntary position for twelve months, which commenced on 1 November 2023.

For more information on the programme, please visit www.tauranga.govt.nz/cco. To read about this year's Board Intern with Bay Venues and the Emerging Director with Tourism Bay of Plenty, the recent media release is here: <https://www.tauranga.govt.nz/council/council-news-and-updates/latest-news/artmid/456/articleid/9573>

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.

We may publish this response on our website as your request may be of interest to others. All personal information will be removed and only the question and answers will be seen.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact the writer.

Ngā mihi



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