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Ref: OIA-24-015

John Luke

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Tēnā koe John

Official Information Act 1982 request for Callaghan Innovation Board meeting minutes

Thank you for your email of 28 March 2024 requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

1. *May I kindly request Callaghan Innovation's full board meeting minutes from 1st Jan 2023 to 1st Nov 2023.*
2. *May I also request all communication between the Callaghan Innovation CEO and the 2023 Labour Minister Dr Ayesha Verrall between 1 Jan 2023 and 1 Nov 2023.*

In relation to part 1 of your request, please find the documents for release enclosed.

There are 6 documents in scope of your request - these are itemised, along with our decision on the release of each document, in the document schedule below.

Information that is deemed out of scope of your request has been removed, and it is necessary to withhold some information under the following sections of the Act:

- Section 9(2)(g)(i) - the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty;
- Section 9(2)(f)(iv) - confidential advice to government
- Section 9(2)(a) - to protect the privacy of natural persons
- Section 9(2)(h) - to protect information subject to legal privilege
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii) - commercial information
- Section 9(2)(ba)(i) - to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence
- Section 6(d) - where making available that information would be likely to endanger the safety of any person

In accordance with the “public interest” test under section 9(1) of the Act, I do not consider the withholding of this information to be outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

In relation to part 2 of your request, we are declining this part of your request under section 18(g) because no relevant information exists. To provide further context for this portion of your request, no information exists



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because communication directly between the previous Minister and Callaghan Innovation, was with the Chair of Callaghan Innovation.

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.

Nāku noa, nā

Dr Stefan Korn
Chief Executive
Callaghan Innovation

Document Schedule

#	Document name or email subject line	Document type	Summary of contents	Release or withhold (and withhold reason)
1.	1 February 2023 - Board Minutes	Minutes	Board minutes of 1 February 2023	Partially withheld under sections: 9(2)(g)(i) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(a) 9(2)(ba)(i) 9(2)(b)(ii) 6(d)
2.	22 March 2023 - Board Minutes	Minutes	Board minutes of 22 March 2023	Partially withheld under sections: 9(2)(g)(i) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(ba)(i) 9(2)(b)(ii) 6(d)
3.	20 April 2023 - Board Minutes	Minutes	Board minutes of 20 April 2023	Partially withheld under sections: 9(2)(g)(i) 9(2)(h) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(ba)(i) 6(d)
4.	21 June 2023 - Board Minutes	Minutes	Board minutes of 21 June 2023	Partially withheld under sections: 9(2)(g)(i) 6(d)
5.	17 July 2023/18 July 2023 - Board Minutes	Minutes	Board minutes of 17/18 July 2023	Partially withheld under sections: 9(2)(g)(i) 9(2)(f)(iv) 9(2)(a)

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				6(d) 9(2)(ba)(i) 9(2)(b)(ii)
6.	28 September 2023 - Board Minutes	Minutes	Board minutes of 28 September 2023	Partially withheld under sections: 9(2)(a) 9(2)(ba)(i) 9(2)(b)(ii)