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Official information request No. 8140014423 (Please quote this in any correspondence)

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By email: fyi-request-28230-722f6e80@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Re: Fluoridation of drinking water

Thank you for your email of 29 August 2024 for information about the dates legal advice was sought and received in relation to specific issues concerning the Health Act 1956 and the fluoridation of water.

A review has been conducted of Council legal advice in relation to fluoridation, and we can confirm that Council received legal advice on issues in relation to fluoridation on 30 June 2020 and 21 November 2022. However, the advice was not in relation to the specific issues set out in your email. The Council does not waive legal professional privilege.

The decision by Auckland Council to release the information contained in this response was made by **Arman Askarany, Legal Counsel.**

Should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request, you have the right by way of complaint, under section 27(3) of the LGOIMA, to apply to the Ombudsman to seek an investigation and review of the decision.

Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries, please contact me on 09 301 0101 quoting official information request number 8140014423.

Ngā mihi

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