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Tēnā koe John

Thank you for your request of 19 September 2024, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand, requesting information relating to the Waikato Local Advisory Committee members appointments. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and your questions have been separated and responses follow.

1. *May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website.*

Advertising for the Local Advisory Committee (LAC) Member – Waikato, was posted on the following platforms:

- SEEK
- Govt.Jobs
- Institute of Directors
- Appoint Better Boards
- Ahu Jobs
- Waikato – Fire and Emergency Facebook page
- LinkedIn

We also gave the following agencies the opportunity to share the position with their networks:

- Ministry for Women
- Te Puni Kōkiri
- Whaikaha - Ministry of Disabled People
- Ministry for Pacific Peoples

2. *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 for your role*

We can advise 27 applications were received. Please note that the regulations governing the appointments process requires a public nominations approach, with no ability to co-opt members onto committees. This requires an independent application rather than one from a nominating agency.

3. *How many you have shortlisted*

We can advise that 13 applicants were shortlisted for this role.

4. *How many you have interviewed in this recruitment round.*

We can advise that 12 applicants were interviewed. Please note that one applicant withdrew between shortlisting and interview.

5. *May I also seek a copy of the ad went out to public*

Please find attached, as **Appendix One** to this response, the advertisement used (see page 1), along with the Facebook post (see page 2).

6. *And the appointment letter sent to the appointee, feel free to redact any personal information.*

Please find attached, as **Appendix Two** to this response, a copy of the template appointment letter for Waikato LAC members. This excludes the personal information applied to the template for each successful candidate.

We also have information available on our Fire and Emergency website how LAC appointments are made. It also details remuneration and how to register your interest and is available at: www.fireandemergency.nz/about-us/local-advisory-committees/how-are-lac-appointments-made/.

We trust that the information being provided is of assistance. If you require further information, please email officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz.

Please note that because of the identified public interest in the information that you have requested, we intend to publish this response on our website.

Nāku noa, nā



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