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Tēnā koe John

Thank you for your request of 19 November 2024, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information:

• May I please request the results of any investigations conducted to find the cause of a fire on 19/11/2023 at what was previously the Tokoroa Trees Tavern.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Please find attached a copy of the Fire Investigation Report (FIR). Some information has been withheld from the FIR under the following sections of the OIA:

- 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of natural persons; and
- 9(2)(ba)(i), to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

In making this decision, we have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA.

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 <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602. We trust that the information being provided is of assistance. If you require further information, please email <u>officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz</u>.

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