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Tēnā koe C Reynolds

Thank you for your request of 19 December 2024, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

 Can you please provide all the board minutes from March 2022 to the present, and add them to the website or FENZ portal going forward?

Please find attached, as the **Appendix** to this response, all minutes from Board meetings between 1 March 2022 to 19 December 2024. Some information has been withheld from the appendix pursuant to the following:

- Section 9(2)(a) of the OIA, to protect the privacy of natural persons.
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA, to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.
- Section 9(2)(ba)(i) of the OIA, 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.
- Section 9(2)(g)(i) of the OIA, to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through 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) of the OIA, to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials.

- Section 9(2)(h) of the OIA, to maintain legal professional privilege.
- Section 9(2)(j) of the OIA, to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency
 or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage,
 negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).
- Section 9(2)(k) of the OIA, to prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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 (with your personal details removed) on our website.

Nāku noa, nā

Aidan Saunders

Manager, Information Requests