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Peter Samuals

By email: fyi-request-8932-9be17c5e@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Peter

Information Request – Complaints made against Newlands Volunteer Fire Brigade

I refer to your official information request dated 24 October 2018 regarding Complaints made against Newlands Volunteer Fire Brigade.

The Official Information Act 1982 (**OIA**) requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to meet that time limit and we are therefore writing to notify you of an extension of the time to make our decision, to 19 December 2018.

The reason for the extension is that your request necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with our operations.

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.

Yours sincerely

Amelia Dalley Senior Advisor, Office of the Chief Executive