



Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

19 December 2024

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Official Information Request

Our Ref: PSCR 2024-0100

I refer to your official information request received on 21 November 2024 for:

- *All correspondence - including emails, text and social media messages, voice memos/messages, briefings, aide memoires, or reports - sent or received by the current Public Service Commissioner, regarding the appointment of a new Police Commissioner, since 1 September 2024.*
- *All correspondence - including emails, text and social media messages, voice memos/messages, briefings, aide memoires, or reports - sent or received by Public Service Commission staff, regarding the appointment of a new Police Commissioner, since 1 September 2024.*

Information publicly available

The following information is also covered by your request and will be publicly available soon on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website at the link provided for in the table.

Item	Date	Document Description	Decision
1	6 September 2024	2024-0268 – Report – Progressing the Police Commissioner appointment	Publications - Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
2	12 September 2024	2024-0272 – Aide Memoire – Vacancy Paper for Police Commissioner	Publications - Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
3	11 November 2024	2024-0244 – Report – Police Commissioner appointment Advice on nomination	Publications - Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
4	12 November 2024	2024-0266 – Report – Commissioner of Police Appointment papers for lodging	Publications - Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission

5		CABINET PAPER - Vacancy – Commissioner of Police, NZ Police APH Minute – APH-24-SUB-0209	Publications - Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
6		CABINET PAPER – Appointment – Commissioner of Police, NZ Police Position Description and Summarised CV CAB Minute - CAB-24-MIN-0452 Warrant	Publications - Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission

Accordingly, I have refused your request for the documents listed in the above table under section 18(d) of the OIA – the information requested is or will soon be publicly available. Some information will continue to be withheld as outlined in the documents.

Information being withheld

There are additional documents covered by your request relating to the recruitment process for the appointment of Police Commissioner that I have decided to withhold in full under one or more of the following sections of the OIA, as applicable:

- section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people
- section 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions
- section 9(2)(b)(a)(ii) – 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 otherwise to damage the public interest
- section 9(2)(h) – to maintain legal professional privilege

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

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz.

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.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website.

Yours sincerely



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