

23 October 2019

John Luke
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Dear Mr Luke

Thank you for your request of 27 September 2019, under the Official Information Act 1982, for the following information:

about the External Advisory Groups listed on the NZQA website and the members' names and the bio for each of these External Advisory Groups? Also, I would like to know what their remuneration package and are there any terms of reference or job description for their roles? Further, how they are selected and how long they have been appointed for? Can public nominate people to these groups and are these appointments made by relevant Minister?

We have attached the information you have requested about NZQA's External Advisory Groups. We currently have seven External Advisory Groups, the Technical Overview Group Assessment (TOGA), Expert Group Assessment (EGA), Secondary Qualifications Advisory Group (SQAG), Whakaruruhau Matua, Māori Medium Secondary Qualifications Advisory Group (MMSQAG) Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics Sector Advisory Group (ITPAG) and Ngā Kaitūhono. The information is attached as seven appendices.

The Minister of Education has no role with regard to appointments to these advisory groups.

Note that some biographical information has not been included as it is not held by NZQA.

Note that the following groups no longer exist; The Leaders Forum, Assessment Processes and Enhancements Reference Group and the Māori Economic Development Forum. Our website page will be updated accordingly.

As part of the commitment to open and transparent government, NZQA is proactively releasing responses to Official Information Act requests which are of public interest. NZQA will be publishing its response to your request on its website in December 2019. Your name and contact details will be removed before publication.

If you require further assistance or believe we have misinterpreted your request, please contact Elizabeth Templeton in the Office of the Chief Executive, email elizabeth.templeton@nzqa.govt.nz or telephone (04) 463 3339.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz. You can also telephone 0800 802 502 or write to the Ombudsman at PO Box 10152, Wellington, 6143.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Bean'.

Dr Daryn Bean
Acting Chief Executive