



OIA20-0792

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Dear Grace Haden

I refer to your email of 23 November 2020 requesting information relating to the warranting of SPCA inspectors. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested the following:

I appreciate that some of the information requested was not available due to protection of their privacy but it is important that we know who the organisation was which employed each inspector this has relevance with regards to section 190 Animal welfare act hence I wish to be advised which organisation the respective inspectors were employed by and whether or not it was a branch member society or the approved organisation itself.

As you were advised in our previous correspondence (our reference: OIA20-0693), information relating to specific SPCA inspectors has been withheld in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the OIA - *to protect the privacy of natural persons*, as it contains information relating to the abovenamed application forms, police vetting forms and identification forms.

Information supplied by the SPCA to the Ministry for Primary Industries for the purpose of providing the statutory appointment of "Animal Welfare Inspector" included their Job title and the location of the SPCA they were working for.

In 2017 the SPCA amalgamated 46 Independent SPCA Branches and Member Societies (known as "Centres") into one National Organisation, the Royal New Zealand Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Incorporated (RNZSPCA). Some of the people you have requested information were appointed before 2017. They were therefore employed by an SPCA Centre until 2017, then subsequently RNZSPCA.

	First Appointed as an Animal Welfare Inspector	SPCA Centre	Position Title
Greg Reid	16/10/2014	Auckland (Member Society)	Chief Inspector SPCA Auckland
Lori Davis	04/02/2016	Auckland (Member Society)	Animal Welfare Inspector
Michael Loulanting	15/11/2019	RNZSPCA (Auckland Centre)	Chief Inspector Auckland
Kevin Plowright	09/11/2005	Auckland (Member Society)	Animal Welfare Inspector
Tracy Phillips	16/08/2020	RNZSPCA (National Role)	General Manager Inspectorate

Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise these with the Ministry for Primary Industries at Official.InformationAct@mpi.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely



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