

11 February 2014

Official Information Request No. 9000127592 (Please quote this in any correspondence)

Ms Grace Haden

Via email: fyi-request-1419-d25b34b5@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Ms Haden

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA)

Re: Committee for Auckland membership

I refer to your email dated 26 January 2014, which we received on 27 January 2014, requesting information about Stephen Town's membership on the Committee for Auckland.

Similar to your previous request of the same nature regarding former Chief Executive Doug McKay, there are no documents relating to Stephen Town's appointment to the Committee for Auckland.

Stephen Town inherited the membership to the Committee for Auckland in being appointed successor to Doug McKay as Chief Executive of Auckland Council and thus is a member as an Auckland Council representative. The Chief Executive is an honorary member of the committee on behalf of Auckland Council, consequently no joining fees were charged or paid.

Membership to this committee is an operational issue and was approved by the Chief Executive, or his staff, within delegated financial authority. As such, no Governing Body approval is required, nor is the Chief Executive required to report back to the Governing Body.

Should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request, you have the right by way of complaint, under section 27(3) of the LGOIMA, to apply to the Ombudsman to seek an investigation and review of the decision.

If you have any further queries please contact the Public Information team on (09) 301 0101, quoting Official Information Request No. 9000127592.

Yours sincerely

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