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Dear Scott,

**Official Information Act Request – Commissioner and FRAC Meeting Minutes**

We have received your request made under section 12 of the Official Information Act 1982 on 2 November and subsequently requested a change of scope which was accepted on 12 November. Your request was as follows:

- 1) ***Request for minutes from the Commissioner and Finance Risk and Audit Committee from May 2021 that deal with the topics of:***
  - a) ***The Waikato DHB ransomware attack and its aftermath***
  - b) ***Digital systems, digital investment and cybersecurity at Waikato DHB generally***

We enclose these minutes for the period from May 2021 to the end of October 2021, noting your first request was received on 2 November.

We have withheld some information to items in scope pursuant to the following sections of the Official Information Act 1982:

- Sections 18(a) and 9(2)(a) which *“enables information to be withheld if this is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons and this is not outweighed by any public interest in its release and this is not outweighed by any public interest in its release”*.
- Sections 18(a) and 9(2)(ba)(i) which *“enables information 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 an enactment where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied and this is not outweighed by any public interest in its release”*.
- Sections 18(a) and 9(2)(c) which *“enables information to be withheld if this is necessary to avoid prejudice to measures protecting the health or safety of members of the public and this is not outweighed by any public interest in its release”*.
- Sections 18(a) and 9(2)(e) which *“enables information to be withheld if this is necessary to avoid prejudice to measures that prevent or mitigate materials loss to members of the public and this is not outweighed by any public interest in its release”*.

- Sections 18(a) and 9(2)(h) which “enables information to be withheld if this is necessary to maintain legal professional privilege and this is not outweighed by any public interest in its release”.

Information contained in the minutes that is out of scope of your request has been redacted in red. The information that has been withheld is redacted in Black.

Waikato DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist community understanding of how we are delivering publically funded healthcare. This includes the proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been released.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman investigate and review the decision to withhold the information. The Ombudsman’s postal address is:

The Ombudsman  
Office of the Ombudsmen  
P O Box 10-152  
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Yours sincerely



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