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John Luke

**By email:** fyi-request-21785-eca74c3d@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Luke

## Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 ("LGOIMA"): Request for Information

I refer to your email dated 10 February 2023 requesting information on the nomination of an Independent Member Audit, Finance and Risk Committee. Your request has been referred to me to reply.

The Audit, Finance and Risk Committee provides oversight of organisational reporting, performance, systems, risk management, and finances on behalf of council. The Committee consists of six Councillors and at least one Council appointed independent member, that is neither a Councillor nor a staff member.

Please find below answers to your specific questions:

How did we call for public nominations?	The role was advertised online
What platform was used for the public nominations?	www.appointbetterboards.co.nz
How many applications were received?	Withheld – see below
How many applications were received from other nominating agencies, such as TPK or Ministry of Women, etc	Nil
How many candidates have been shortlisted?	Withheld – see below
Job description	<ul> <li>Committee Members do not have job descriptions.</li> <li>A list of the expertise/competencies sought was included in the advertisement of the role.</li> <li>Any terms of engagement with the successful candidate remain confidential.</li> </ul>

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Pay rate	Withheld – see below
Name of current Independent Members:	<ul><li>Graham Naylor</li><li>Graeme McGlinn</li></ul>
Current Independent Members' term of appointment:	Graham Naylor
	■ Three years – expiring 31 December 2023
	Graeme McGlinn
	<ul> <li>Two years (following initial 12-month period) - expiring 31 December 2022</li> <li>Extended to 31 March 2023 by way of Council decision on 17 November 2022.</li> </ul>

## Withholding

The recruitment of an Independent Member for our Audit, Finance and Risk Committee remains a current and ongoing confidential process. Due to this we are withholding some of the information you have requested pursuant to sections 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 to maintain privacy and confidentiality of this process.

The successful candidate will be formally appointed by our Council. After the appointment is confirmed, membership to the Audit, Finance and Risk Committee will be made public.

You will be aware that if you are not satisfied with this response you are able to refer this matter to the Office of the Ombudsman under s27 (3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact LGOIMA@ecan.govt.nz in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

**Giles Southwell** 

**Director, Corporate Services**