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Tēnā koe Amanda Murtagh

## Official Information Act request relating to responsibility for holding the Independent Police Complaints Authority to account

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, received on 6 August 2023. You requested:

*“Who is responsible for holding the Independent Police Complaints Authority to account when they fail to act within the Independent Police Conduct Authority Act 1988?*

*Where is this transparently explained to New Zealanders?”*

Details on raising concerns about the Independent Police Complaints Authority (IPCA) can be found in a previous OIA asking the same question which is available here: <https://fyi.org.nz/request/15664-what-happen-if-i-am-not-satisfied-about-a-decision-made-by-the-ipca-regarding-a-complaint-against-the-nz-police>. You can also file an Expression of Dissatisfaction form via the IPCA website through this link: <https://www.ipca.govt.nz/tools/email.aspx?SECT=dissatisfaction>.

Alternatively, you can seek independent legal advice as to how to best progress your complaint further.

Details relating to what the IPCA do and how to raise concerns about their investigations can be found on their website here: [Make a complaint Independent Police Conduct Authority \(ipca.govt.nz\)](https://www.ipca.govt.nz).

I trust this information assists you.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Ngā mihi nui,

Andrew Kirton  
Chief of Staff