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Official Information Request

Tēnā koe John,

Thank you for your email dated 2 March 2024 requesting information as follows:

- 1. All Board papers and minutes of the Council from 1 January 2023 onwards that refer to its work, obligations or commitments under the Treaty of Waitangi and/or the Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi ("the Treaty") or honouring the Treaty.*
- 2. The number of any Conduct Concerns raised with the Council related to teachers not honoring or adhering to the Treaty from 1 January 2023 onwards*
- 3. The details of any of the Conduct Concerns raised with the Council related to teachers not honoring or adhering to the Treaty from 1 January 2023 onwards, including the outcomes of any investigations.*
- 3. The number of teachers that applied for Renewal of their Annual Practicing Certificates since 1 January 2023, along with the number that were declined renewal along with the reasons for declining renewal.*


We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and can advise as follows.

- 1. All Board papers and minutes of the Council from 1 January 2023 onwards that refer to its work, obligations or commitments under the Treaty of Waitangi and/or the Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi ("the Treaty") or honouring the Treaty*

Attached with this response is a list of all Governing Council papers from 1 January 2023 onwards that refer to Te Tiriti o Waitangi | the Treaty of Waitangi. Provided with the list is a short summary or explanation of the reference to Te Tiriti in each paper. The Council has provided it in this format due to the quantity of information involved in this request. We would be happy to consider providing further information for specific papers.

All Governing Council minutes are published on the Teaching Council website and can be viewed here: [Papers: Governing Council hui minutes :: Teaching Council of Aotearoa New Zealand](#)

The Governing Council also receives a Policy Dashboard each month which is published on our website here: [Policy dashboard :: Teaching Council of Aotearoa New Zealand](#)



2. The number of any Conduct Concerns raised with the Council related to teachers not honoring or adhering to the Treaty from 1 January 2023 onwards 3. The details of any of the Conduct Concerns raised with the Council related to teachers not honoring or adhering to the Treaty from 1 January 2023 onwards, including the outcomes of any investigations.

Since January 2023, the Council has received two reports of a te Tiriti related breach of the Code of Professional Responsibility. These have not reached an outcome.

3. The number of teachers that applied for Renewal of their Annual Practising Certificates since 1 January 2023, along with the number that were declined renewal along with the reasons for declining renewal.

Below is the number of unique teacher applications for **renewal** of their practising certificate as of 14 March 2024.

Number of teacher's	Application Type
29,652	Renew Tuturu Full
3,089	Renew Pumau Full Category Two
1,420	Renew Tomua Provisional

The Council does not decline applications for renewal of a practising certificate and therefore that element of your request has been declined under section 18(e) of the OIA where the information does not exist.

If a Professional Leader has concerns regarding the competence or conduct of a teacher, they may choose to not endorse them as part of the renewal application process. The Council has a process in place to manage situations like this to ensure that teachers are certificated in line with the specific criteria of the Registration and Certification Policy and that any conduct or competency concerns are addressed through a separate process.

A teacher may have their registration and/or practising certificate cancelled through a disciplinary process, however this is separate to registration.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Noho ora mai,



Lesley Hoskin
Tumu Whakarae | Chief Executive