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Thank you for your request of 1 May 2026 to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting the following information relating to Type 4 appliances under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

1. *All RFI supplier documents received from the request.*
2. *All subsequent FENZ reviews or internal documents regarding the received RFI's and / or plans for further action following this, including if the national number of Type 4's will be increased or decreased and where.*
3. *Any budget decisions or allocations regarding the Type 4 appliance procurement.*
4. *Do FENZ expect to meet their own plans to replace the Type 4 appliances by FY 2028/29? If so please provide clear documents to support this, including a schedule of replacement trucks. If not please provide documents or clear reasons that justify the delay when major funds have been spent on other non front line projects.*
5. *Who is ultimately accountable for delivering the fleet component of the 10-year plan within its stated timeframe? If the plan is not met, what are the defined consequences for those responsible?*
6. *Is there a formal accountability framework in place, or are delays simply absorbed through external explanations or internal excuses?*
7. *Is there a clear, public demand based prioritisation model that explains why one area progresses while another falls behind? i.e increased staff numbers since inception for executive and NHQ plus increased pay while the ELT provide substandard public honesty as documented in parliament, vs aged fleet, non crewed trucks and inadequate Firefighter recruits.*
8. *How many Type 4's are currently available as Aerial reliefs? and how many stations are currently missing (or out of FULL service) their Type 4?*

9. *Any written correspondence involving the ELT regarding Type 4's within the past 4 months which is: Media Releases, Media speeches, Media advice or General statements to all FENZ personal or the public.*

In accordance with our obligations under the OIA to make and communicate a decision within the statutory timeframe, Fire and Emergency New Zealand has decided to grant your request. Due to the volume of information within scope, additional time is required to prepare the information for release. The information will be provided to you without undue delay, and no later than 15 July 2026.

As part of that process, some information may be withheld or refused, where appropriate, in accordance with the OIA. The withholding grounds that may be engaged may include:

- section 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of natural persons; and
- section 9(2)(b)(ii), to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

If, during that review, any information is identified as not held or not existing, that part of the request will be refused under section 18(e) of the OIA.

Any withholding decisions made under section 9 will be subject to the public interest test in section 9(1) of the OIA.

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

Please note that because of the identified public interest in the information that you have requested, we may publish this response (with your personal details removed) on our website.

If you require further information, please email officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz

Nāku noa, nā



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