

# Hon Nicola Willis

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Dear John

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), received on 13 May 2026. You requested:

*I noted, Appointment to the Natural Hazards Commission Toka Tū Ake*

*[https://urldefense.com/v3/\\_\\_https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2026-go2544\\_\\_;!!Asq5-8xVch3Reg!pKU-ljeCB7Ro7D4KB-nkAgRZfoRSb7tRrdNX75vthZ3-IRVwHxIRSGQhggnLjuEanEAefJcy9qJJUWBDluOkTIKh1gVkc4BSeSpHGxLKIPwG\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2026-go2544__;!!Asq5-8xVch3Reg!pKU-ljeCB7Ro7D4KB-nkAgRZfoRSb7tRrdNX75vthZ3-IRVwHxIRSGQhggnLjuEanEAefJcy9qJJUWBDluOkTIKh1gVkc4BSeSpHGxLKIPwG$)*

*May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. gov.jobs website. A copy of your ad as well and pay rate. Also, how many applications you have received for each of the role from the public and how many you have received from other nominating agencies such as TPK or Ministry of women etc for your role. How many you have shortlisted and how many you have interviewed.*

*Also, can I request to view the appointment letter if there is one sent to the Alastair Charles Hercus. I am happy for you to remove any relevant personal information.*

*Besides meeting fees, do they receive any other benefits, such as expense reimbursement (If so, may I request to view your expense reimbursement policy in relation to your board member), a laptop, ID card, phone, or similar provisions?*

I do not hold the requested information relating to 'expense reimbursement and any other benefits' and believe it is held by the Natural Hazards Commission. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(i) of the OIA to transfer this part of your request to the Natural Hazards Commission. The other parts of your request have not been transferred, and I will respond in due course.

The Natural Hazards Commission has 20 working days from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicola Willis'.

Hon Nicola Willis  
**Minister of Finance**