



Internal Affairs Te Tari Taiwhenua

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Tēnā koe John,

Your Official Information Act 1982 request, reference OIA 2526-1372

I am responding to your email of 14 June 2026 to the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department), in which you requested the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I noted, Pacific Development and Conservation Trust and Guardians Kaitiaki of the Alexander Turnbull Library

May I ask how you called for public nomination and on what platform you have call for public nominations e.g. govt.jobs website. A copy of your ad and pay rate for the role as well. 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, how many space you are looking to fill in this round for each committee (Pacific Development and Conservation Trust and Guardians Kaitiaki of the Alexander Turnbull Library). Please separate your response for both entities you are seeking expressions of interest for.

Clarification of request

On 17 June 2026, the Department contacted you to advise that we had received two requests from you, dated 8 June 2026 and 14 June 2026. As the requests were similar in nature, the Department advised it would respond to your second request, as it had an amended scope.

Response to your request

In relation to the Pacific Development and Conservation Trust, the positions were advertised on the Department's statutory appointments webpage. Nominating agencies were contacted, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs sought nominations from his colleagues. A copy of the candidate information sheet is attached as **Appendix A**. The Department received two applications: one from a member of the public and one from Whaikaha – Ministry of Disabled People. As the appointment process is still underway, interviews have not yet commenced. There are five positions to be filled in this appointment round.

For the Guardians Kaitiaki of the Alexander Turnbull Library, the positions were advertised on the Department's statutory appointments webpage, Seek, NZ Government Jobs, LinkedIn, the Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa, the Archives and Records Association of New Zealand Te Huinga Mahara, and the Professional Historians' Association of New Zealand Aotearoa. A copy of the candidate information sheet is attached as **Appendix A**. The Department received eight applications. None were from Te Puni Kōkiri or the Ministry for Women. As the appointment process is still underway, interviews have not yet commenced. There is one member role to be filled in this appointment round.

Accessing the Ombudsman

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

Nāku noa, nā



Stacey Hayward

**Manager, Official Correspondence and Private Secretaries
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Appendix A: Documents within scope

No.	Title	Date	Decision (Release, partial release or withhold)	Withholding grounds under the Act
1	Pacific Development and Conservation Trust Candidate Information	6 March 2026	Released in full	N/A
2	Guardians Kaitiaki of the Alexander Turnbull Library Candidate Information	28 April 2026	Released in full	N/A