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Tēnā koe Mark

Thank you for your email of 20 June 2026 to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting information related to displaying of the Fire and Emergency logo during the NZ Super Rugby Hurricanes final match on 20 June 2026, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Specifically:

1. *All email threads relating to this subject, between the appropriate FENZ persons or departments;*
2. *Did this receive sign-off and approval from or include any member of the FENZ Executive Leadership Team (ELT).*
 - 2a. *Was there any member of FENZ present at this game? If so, who was present.*
 - 2b. *Did any member of FENZ receive "perks" such as special access or gifts?*
3. *All names and positions of the persons and companies involved, including who approved this apparent deal to go ahead;*
4. *Justification or reasoning from the appropriate person, that being a member of the ELT or such otherwise, why FENZ decided to sponsor a Super Rugby Finale;*
 - 4a. *Reasoning as to why FENZ have decided to sponsor a Super Rugby Finale, rather than attempt negotiations with the New Zealand Professional Firefighters Union.*
5. *Does this sponsorship maintain a neutral position for Fire and Emergency New Zealand being a Crown Entity?*

5a. Will the information around this sponsorship and expenditure be provided to the Board and Minister?

6. Documents relating to this matter, being:

6a. A financial breakdown of all costs involved in this sponsorship occurring, provided in a PDF document.

6b. Agreements between FENZ and Super Rugby (or other such agency). NB: If this is written in the emails provided under point one, disregard this.

Your request is being considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

This letter is to advise that Fire and Emergency needs to extend the timeframe of our response to your request by 5 working days, under section 15A(1)(b) of the OIA, as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

For this reason, you can expect to receive our response no later than 27 July 2026. We will endeavour to respond sooner than this date if possible. If you no longer require this information, please let us know.

You have the right to request an investigation and review of Fire and Emergency's decision to extend the timeframe by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā



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