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Tēnā koe John

Information Request – Local Advisory Committee

I refer to your official information request dated 18 March 2022 in which you requested a copy of the evaluation report for the establishment of the Local Advisory Committees (LACs) as well as an update as to the current progress of establishing the LACs.

The report has been published on the Fire and Emergency website and is available at https://www.fireandemergency.nz/local-advisory-committees/lac-evaluation-report/.

We do not have a timeframe for the rollout of any additional LACs at the moment. This is because Fire and Emergency is taking the necessary steps to ensure that the LAC operating model is robust, fit for purpose, and functioning well and as legislatively intended before establishing additional LACs. While the Year One evaluation has been completed, we are now making changes as needed to the operating model to address areas highlighted in the evaluation.

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.

Nāku noa, nā

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