



9 December 2021



Dear [REDACTED]

Official Information Act Request

You have asked for information about DHB meetings and public reporting.

Under the Official Information Act, please provide information, including but not limited to emails, applications, reports, meeting minutes, memos, data, audiovisual materials and correspondence to/from the DHB about:

- *The names of any committees which involve the taking of minutes where these minutes are not made public.*

Your request was subsequently amended as follows:

- *Board level committees which have met since March 2020 which involved the taking of minutes where these minutes are not made public.*

Minutes and agendas for Northland DHB Board committee meetings are available on our website <https://www.northlanddhb.org.nz/about-us/board/meetings/>. The minutes note where part of a meeting has been conducted with the public excluded as permitted under the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000.

Other Board-level committees where minutes are not published online are as follows:

- Northern Iwi-DHB Partnership Board - formed between the Waitemata, Auckland and Northland DHBs with Te Kahu o Taonui, the Tai Tokerau Iwi Chairs Forum.
- Equity with Resources Committee (Finance, Risk and Audit Committee) • Audit and Finance Committee.

Both of these are advisory committees, which are non-statutory committees under the New Zealand Public Health and Disability Act 2000. There is, therefore, no legal requirement to publish the minutes or for the meetings to be open to the general public.

Northland DHB supports the open disclosure of information to assist public understanding of how we deliver our services. This includes proactive publication of anonymised Official Information Act responses on our website from 10 working days after they have been provided to you. Personal or identifying information will be redacted from any response published online. If you consider there are good reasons why this response should not be publicly available we will consider your views.

If you have any questions regarding Northland DHB's response to your information request please contact Northland DHB's Communications Manager, in the first instance at communications@northlanddhb.org.nz.

Yours sincerely

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Dr Nick Chamberlain
Chief Executive