



**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT**
TE MANATŪ WHAKAHIATO ORA

13 October 2023

Tēnā koe

On 26 September 2023, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

I would like to request a list of vacancy (ministerial appointment only, e.g. board member, Lay member, Trustee etc) that the nomination period has been closed but still under consideration by the MSD or relevant Minister.

In your list, can you please included the date that vacancy been advertised, what method you have used to publicly advertise the position, how many application you have received and when the vacancy been closed as well.

Also, I would like to know if you have any future opening in 2024. e.g. the position that will call for nomination in the year of 2024.

For the sake of clarity, we have responded to each of your requests in turn.

- 1. I would like to request a list of vacancy (ministerial appointment only, e.g. board member, Lay member, Trustee etc) that the nomination period has been closed but still under consideration by the MSD or relevant Minister.*

As at 3 October 2023, there are no appointment processes under active consideration for the Crown Entities and Tribunals that the Ministry has appointment responsibilities for. These include:

- The Children and Young People's Commission
- Social Workers Registration Board
- Peke Waihanga – Artificial Limb Service

- Social Security Appeals Authority
- Social Workers Complaints and Disciplinary Tribunal
- South Auckland Social Wellbeing Board
- Student Allowance Appeal Authority.

2. *In your list, can you please include the date that vacancy been advertised, what method you have used to publicly advertise the position, how many application you have received and when the vacancy been closed as well.*

You may be interested in the following website page where the Ministry publishes vacancies for Ministerial appointments, position descriptions, and details of how to apply: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/about-msd/ministers/appointments.html>.

You may also be interested in this Department of Internal Affairs website page which has detailed information on appointments to statutory bodies, including a table listing calls for nomination, and dates nominations opened and closed: <https://www.dia.govt.nz/Appointments-to-Statutory-Bodies>.

3. *Also, I would like to know if you have any future opening in 2024. e.g. the position that will call for nomination in the year of 2024.*

In 2024 there are appointments that can be made to the following entities, for which no appointment process decisions have yet been made:

- a) Peke Waihanga – Artificial Limb Service: 4 appointments
- b) Social Workers Registration Board: 1 appointment
- c) Social Workers Complaints and Disciplinary Tribunal: 7 appointments
- d) Student Allowance Appeal Authority: 1 appointment
- e) South Auckland Social Wellbeing Board: 1 appointment

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

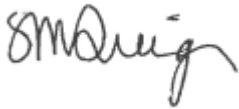
- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Quigan', written in a cursive style.

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