

Reference Number: 2022/900

19 October 2022

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Dear [REDACTED],

### Response - Official Information Request

I refer to your request for information received on 03 October 2022. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

***This request relates to both of (1) 2019 Local Government Elections  
AND  
(2) 2022 Local Government Elections***

***We would like copies of all reports, memorandums, agendas, minutes, emails that detail any mistakes made by Council officers (managing the elections on behalf of Council) in checking candidate applications in the processing of candidates standing for the Local Body Election, which has led to the disqualification by the independent Electoral Officer after the closing date (on the Friday at 12 noon).***

The Horowhenua District Council has not made any mistakes during the checking of candidate applications for any candidate standing in the 2022 or 2019 Local Elections. As such, there has been no candidates that have been disqualified by the independent Electoral Officer.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or free phone 0800 802 602.

Horowhenua District Council publishes responses to Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) requests that we consider to be of wider public interest, or which relate to a subject that has been widely requested. To protect your privacy, we will not generally publish personal information about you, or information that identifies you. We will publish the LGOIMA response along with a summary of the request on our website. Requests and responses may be paraphrased.

If you have any queries regarding this information, please contact the LGOIMA Officer on 063660999 or email [LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz](mailto:LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz)

Yours sincerely



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**Executive Sponsor**