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Tēnā koe 

Thank you for your email of 7 July 2024 to the Department of Corrections – Ara Poutama Aotearoa, requesting information about the governance structure within the 810-bed expansion project of Waikeria Prison. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA).

You requested:

Under the Official Information Act 1982, I am requesting detailed information on the current governance structure within the 810-bed expansion project of Waikeria Prison. This request is part of a governance audit being conducted.

Specifically, I request the following:

An organisational chart or diagram that illustrates the updated governance structure of the 810-bed expansion project of Waikeria Prison as of 7th July 2024

A detailed list of the current members within this governance structure, including their names, positions, and the departments or organisations they represent.

Please see the below table listing the members of the Waikeria Programme Board, which has the purview of the current development and the 810-bed expansion announced by the Government as part of Budget 2024.

Programme Board Member	Governance Role
Alastair Turrell, Deputy Chief Executive Infrastructure & Digital Assets, Corrections	Senior Responsible Officer, Senior Stakeholder and Chair
Leigh Marsh, Commissioner Custodial Services, Corrections	Benefits Realisation Owner, Change Management Owner, and Senior User
Andrew Cowan, Custodial Services Senior Business Partner, Corrections	Senior Stakeholder, Finance Representative
Peter Mitchell, Director PPP Contracts	Senior Customer, Contract Owner

Jack Harrison, Waikeria Prison Development Programme Director, Corrections	Senior Customer
Will Peet, Managing Director Kahanui Ventures	Independent Expert – Infrastructure & Construction

Information regarding any independent roles or positions within this governance structure, including:

- Names and positions of individuals designated as independent members.
- The criteria or measures in place to ensure these roles maintain independence.

As part of his appointment, Will Peet – as the sole independent member of the board – is required to declare any conflicts of interest (COI) and that he is free of any COIs as part of our Procurement Policy, Conflict of Interest Policy and our Conflicts of Interest Model Standards. This includes COIs that are actual, potential, or perceived. The position is constantly reviewed as new information emerges, for example as we become aware of any respondents to any related procurement activity. Will Peet has declared no conflicts of interest.

Corrections uses the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment’s COI Tool for recording declarations of interest for procurement activity. This is overseen by Corrections’ Director Procurement, who is not a board member. Corrections also maintains an internal COI register.

If any COI (actual, potential, or perceived) is declared, a management plan is required which may include restricting involvement, removing the person from the board, relinquishing any private interest associated with the conflict, or a person resigning from their role within Corrections.

Please note that this response may be published on Corrections’ website. Typically, responses are published quarterly or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

I hope this information is helpful. I encourage you to raise any concerns about this response with Corrections. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Contact details are: Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi



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