

8 February 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

**Re: Official Information Act**

I am responding on behalf of Taranaki District Health Board (DHB) to your OIA request of 4 February 2022 ; the responses to the queries are noted below:

- 1. Do you have a carbon neutral plan by 2025, and if so, what is the official wording of it?*

Taranaki DHB has an Emissions Management and Reduction Plan (EMRP) developed to meet the Government's previous goal of zero carbon emissions by 2050.

The EMRP is intended to be reviewed and amended this year to reflect the Government's new goal of zero carbon emissions by 2025.

- 2. Taranaki DHB does not have a 'formal' carbon neutral team or committee.*

The DHB's Sustainability Lead works alongside key staff who are trained/experts in the following departments : engineering, stores and logistics, transportation, procurement, finance, payroll and patient travel.

- 3. How much carbon do you emit/how are your carbon emissions measured?*

Taranaki DHB's total carbon emission for FY2019-2020 is 8,549.44 tCO<sub>2</sub>e.

We measure our carbon emissions through Toitu e-manage. This involves a few Taranaki DHB staff gathering several data (invoices, spreadsheets etc) and the Sustainability Lead collating and entering each data into a cloud software.

We are looking into changing from e-manage to a digital platform service provider where a qualified and experienced contractor is commissioned to gather our data directly from suppliers and enter this into the provider's digital software.

- 4. If coal is still in use at your facilities, when do you plan to phase it out?*

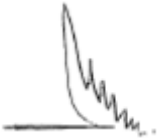
Coal is not used in any of Taranaki DHB's facilities.

5. *Have you transitioned to EVs and or/hybrids? Have you begun to downsize your fleet size?*

Taranaki DHB's current transport fleet has a number of hybrids but no EVs. There is a review underway that will result in a transition programme to migrate to EVs in a phased manner over a stipulated time period.

We trust the above information meets your requirements.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George Thomas', with a horizontal line underneath.

**George Thomas**

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