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EDUCATION COUNCIL  
NEW ZEALAND | Matatū Aotearoa

Dear Ms

### RESPONSE TO YOUR REQUEST UNDER THE OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT

Thank you for your email of 26 October 2017 requesting information about Golden Bay High School under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). I am sorry for the delay in response but I have now investigated the matter and my answer is below. You asked:

- *Who were the staff members that were referred to the council?*
- *What were the reasons for their referral?*
- *What was the outcome of the referrals, did it get advanced to a tribunal stage or were they dismissed?*

We received a number of complaints during the period but because of privacy concerns (s9(2)(a) of the Act), and a suppression order we are unable to respond in detail to your queries.

We have recorded one case for which we received a mandatory report from the school about a conduct matter that presented sufficient information for us to deal with. No further action was taken in this case.

We received a mandatory report from the school about a competence matter but there was insufficient evidence for us to take further action.

We received a third mandatory report about an incident which resulted in the cancellation of a teacher's registration.

I hope that we have been able to supply you with sufficient information for your purposes. However, if you are not satisfied with my response you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman, who can be contacted by writing to: The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143, or emailing: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely

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