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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 10 September 2024, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting information relating to appliance allocation and replacement under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). We copy and respond to each aspect of your request below.

1. *Please supply the current FENZ appliance cascade plan.*

Please find attached, as **Appendix One** to this response, the most up to date appliance cascade plan.

2. *FENZ are in the process of commissioning Hino Incident Support Vehicles (ISVs), appliance code -21. How many new ISVs are planned? Where will they be allocated? Are there plans to replace the 2007-2009 ISVs (such as Woolston 2416, Hamilton 4116)?*

In the last 12 months we have planned for the introduction of three new Incident Support Vehicles (ISVs). They will be allocated to Nelson, Dunedin, and Invercargill. There are no plans to replace the 2007-2009 ISVs.

3. *Are there any hose layers or other specialist appliances planned to enter service in the next 24 months? If so, where?*

One operations support vehicle will be allocated to Auckland.

4. *What is the timeframe for full implementation of the new Type 4, 5 and 6 appliances?*

The implementation of the Type 5 appliances is planned for the last quarter of 2025 and the Type 6 for the first quarter of 2026. The timeframe for implementation of Type 4 appliances is yet to be determined.

5. *For the new Type 5 and 6 appliances currently undergoing fitout, what are the plans for the existing appliances they are replacing (Hamilton 415, Dunedin 216, Christchurch 216 etc)? E.g. retirement, reallocation, relief fleet, and to what callsign if possible.*

We are still finalising our plans for the Hamilton, North Island Relief, South Island Relief, and Dunedin relief appliances being replaced.

6. *FENZ is currently undergoing a Type 3 replacement process with new Scania appliances. What is the timeframe for:*
- Supply agreement to be signed;*
  - The first new Scania to arrive in NZ;*
  - The first new Scania to enter service; and*
  - If possible, where those appliances will enter service first.*

The Type 3 Supply Panel agreement was signed in January 2024 by the two suppliers of the four trial type 3 appliances.

The timeframes for the remaining questions are yet to be determined. Therefore, we are partially refusing this aspect of your request under section 18(e) of the OIA, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

7. *In addition, please advise where the four Type 3 Scania trial appliances recently trialed in Auckland, Napier, Hamilton and Christchurch will be stationed and when they will become operational.*

The four trial appliances will be stationed at Grey Lynn, Parnell, Manurewa, and Hamilton. The timeframe for their redeployment is yet to be determined.

8. *How many MAN Type 3 appliances purchased by FENZ have not entered service?*

Thirty.

9. *Will they enter service and, if so, when and where?*

We have taken delivery of two out of thirty of the appliances. We expect to have taken delivery of the remaining appliances by the end of 2025. Their locations are yet to be determined, other than one, which will be deployed to Wellington City Station.

10. *What stations/appliances currently operate a yellow watch (I.e. career staff during Mon-Fri business hours, volunteers remainder of the time)?*

Levin, Mosgiel, West Harbour, Silverdale, and Titirangi stations all currently operate a yellow watch.

11. *What stations and appliances are planned to be transitioned from volunteer to career staff in the next 5 years?*

There are currently no approved transitions for stations or appliances from volunteer to career in the next five years.

*12. What criteria do FENZ use to transition a station/appliance from volunteer to career, and career to volunteer?*

There are a number of factors which contribute to initiating a review of staffing arrangements at a station. For example:

- The ability of a brigade to meet the needs of their community.
- The management and sustainability of a brigade's workload.
- The projected population growth or decline in the area.

*13. Are there plans to construct a new/replacement fire station in Rolleston? Are there plans to station a second appliance at Rolleston? If so, when?*

The current Rolleston facility has been identified as being earthquake prone. There are several options that can be considered to remedy this, including the construction of a new facility, but no decision has been made at this time. There are no plans to station a second appliance at Rolleston.

*14. Wigram station currently has one career 'regular' appliance and a command unit that are crewed. Are there plans to station a second, crewed regular appliance at Wigram in the next 5 years? If so, when? What type of appliance?*

There are currently no approved plans to increase staffing at Wigram Station.

*15. Please provide a list of every FENZ appliance that has been pulled off the run for non-scheduled repairs/maintenance in the past 12 months (listed by callsign at the time of repairs) and, where possible, advise whether the repairs were required due to machinery/plant breakdown or user error / accident.*

As we advised in our email of 13 September 2024, Fire and Emergency do not record which appliances have had repairs or maintenance by their callsign. Further, we do not record whether these repairs were done during a scheduled service or simply due to the need for repair. Nor do we record whether the repairs were needed due to breakdown or user error accident. However, we can tell which appliances have had repairs, by registration number, by looking at our financial records.

Thank you for confirming on 7 October 2024 that you would be happy to receive a list of appliances pulled from our financial records that have had repairs in the last 12 months, by registration number. Please find this information attached, as **Appendix Two** to this response. We have also included the callsign of each appliance as of 25 September 2024.

Please note, it is possible that there have been other repairs during that period which we have not been invoiced for, and which are therefore not in our finance system yet. It is also possible that some of these transactions are for proactive servicing, a warrant of fitness, or a certificate of fitness rather than repairs. As noted above, we do not hold data in a way that differentiates between scheduled and unscheduled transactions.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

We trust that the information being provided is of assistance. If you require further information, please email [officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz](mailto:officialinformationrequests@fireandemergency.nz).

Please note that because of the identified public interest in the information that you have requested, we intend to publish this response (with your personal details removed) on our website.

Nāku noa, nā



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