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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your request of 22 July 2025, to Fire and Emergency New Zealand requesting information relating to Type 4 and relief aerial appliances. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and our response is below.

- *While Fire and Emergency NZ has purchased new type 5 and 6 appliances, it has assessed and made plans to replace its ageing type 4 Aerial fleet, given some of these appliances are used as front-line appliances in large metro areas such as Ellerslie and Te Atatu, as well as providing the main aerial capability to regional cities around NZ.*
- 1. *Has FENZ been running Type 4 appliances in Auckland as pumps only on frontline response with no ladder capability due to breakdowns while not having enough relief ladder appliances to cover Type 4 being off for repairs?*

We can confirm this did occur at one fire station.

- 2. *Has FENZ planned for type 5 and 6 relief appliances once the new aerals arrive? What will FENZ do with the existing type 5 and 6s they will replace?*

Fire and Emergency has plans for the relief Type 5 and 6 appliances. These appliances will be either:

- disposed of where they are considered to be at end of life
- reallocated to other stations; or
- reallocated into the relief fleet replacing other appliances considered to be at end of life.

If you require further information, please email 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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Saunders', with a stylized, flowing script.

Aidan Saunders
Manager, Information Requests

