From:	Information Management Team
То:	"fyi-request-16516-e5a7bdc3@requests.fyi.org.nz"
Subject:	RE: Official Information request - Chris Milne ability to do his job [#629E7F]
Date:	Monday, 27 September 2021 8:37:00 AM

Tēnā koe

We refer to your request dated 27 August 2021.

Please see below a response to the questions you have asked.

There are no arrangements in place which prevent Cr Milne from undertaking his governance role.

Cr Milne raised concern regarding sound problems he had encountered during a Committee meeting while he was participating by Zoom. The issue was passed to the IT team. It was concluded no staff member has turned down sound preventing Cr Milne from taking part in a Council meeting.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this email (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Council's website.

Nāku noa, nā

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From: Information Management Team
Sent: Friday, 27 August 2021 5:24 PM
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Tēnā koe

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REQUEST

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your official information request dated 27 August 2021.

We received your request on 27 August 2021. We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible and in any event no later than 20 working days after the day your request was received. If we are unable to respond to your request by then, we will

notify you of an extension of that timeframe.

If any additional factors come to light which are relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that these can be taken into account.

Nāku noa, nā Hutt City Council

-----Original Message-----From: "Contact of the state of

Dear Hutt City Council,

I am deeply concerned to read on Facebook that Councillor Chris Milne cannot do his job as a councillor due to restrictions placed on him. This isn't fair on an elected councillor just trying to do his job.

Please provide a statement explaining this situation.

Councillor Chris Milne has also said that a staff member intentionally turned down the sound when he tried to participate virtually in a council meeting. This is shocking if true.

Please provide any details about this incident.

Yours faithfully,

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