

30 May 2022

By email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

**OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2022/13**

Thank you for your Official Information Act (OIA) request, received 10 May 2022, which requested:

- 1) *The first date the United Future New Zealand party applied for registration as a party with the Electoral Commission*
- 2) *The first date the United Future New Zealand party was successfully added to the register of political parties by the Electoral Commission*

The current Electoral Commission (the Commission) was established as an Independent Crown Entity in 2010 following the amalgamation of the former Electoral Commission with the Chief Electoral Officer. The Commission holds limited records from its predecessor organisation. In responding to your request, the Commission has searched these records, including material held in archives.

Please note that United Future New Zealand has been registered as a political party on two occasions. We have endeavoured to respond to your questions in relation to both applications.

**1) The first date the United Future New Zealand party applied for registration as a party with the Electoral Commission**

An application for registration as a political party for United Future New Zealand was received by the former Electoral Commission on 5 October 2001.

An application for registration as a political party for United Future New Zealand was received by the Commission on 11 June 2013.

**2) The first date the United Future New Zealand party was successfully added to the register of political parties by the Electoral Commission**

United Future New Zealand was first registered as a political party with the former Electoral Commission 13 December 2001. The registration of United Future New Zealand as a political party was cancelled on 31 May 2013 at the party's request.

United Future New Zealand was again registered as a political party with the Commission on 13 August 2013. The registration of United Future New Zealand was cancelled at the party's request on 28 February 2018.

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every three months. We will publish this response with your personal details redacted on [www.elections.nz](http://www.elections.nz).

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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