

Submission to the New Zealand Parole Board

Victim/survivor submissions are an important part of the decision-making process for the Parole Board. What you say will help the Board make its decision.

Section One - Your details

The information in this section will not be shown to the offender.

It's important to include your full residential address in this section. This will enable the Board to consider what/if any special conditions could be put in place to exclude an offender from a particular area.

By including your address, you are giving consent for the Board to use the information for this purpose for the upcoming hearing, and all subsequent hearings.

Your full name:

Victim/survivor's name:

(if submitting on their behalf)

ID Number

(if registered on the VNR)

Physical address

Victim/survivor's address

(if submitting on their behalf)

Phone number *(Home)*

(Mobile)

Email address

*Is email your preferred
way of contact?*

Yes

No

Which of the following phrases best describes you? (please tick)

I am a victim/survivor of the offender below

I am the parent/legal guardian of the victim/survivor named above

I am the representative of the victim/survivor named above

Other – please describe:

For more information or if you have any concerns, please e-mail info@paroleboard.govt.nz or call 0800 727 653.

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Victim Support - Supporting you through the parole process

Victim Support offers full support for victims of crime and their families and whanau throughout the parole process. Its service is completely free and confidential, and available throughout Aotearoa New Zealand.

A Victim Support Worker can help you prepare a written submission. They will also support you for as long as the parole process continues - someone to listen, talk with, and help you to cope with the emotions and other reactions that may happen during this time.

Call on 0800 842846, 24/7 to connect with a Support Worker or visit www.victimsupport.org.nz

Section Two – Having your say

The offender will be shown (but cannot keep or copy) the information you provide in this section.

If you don't have sufficient room in the tables below, please continue on a separate piece of paper noting which questions you're responding to.

Offender's name:

1. What information do you think the Board should know?

This is your chance to tell the Board how the offender's actions have affected you - and your whānau and friends - both at the time and since.

2. If the offender were to be released from prison, are there any special conditions you would like the Board to consider imposing?

For example, the Board can prohibit the offender from:

- entering areas where you or your whānau live and work and make the offender wear an electronic monitoring bracelet
- contacting you while on parole, either directly or indirectly
- associating with particular individuals and/or groups.

3. Is there information in your submission you think should be withheld from the offender?

Generally, the offender will be able to read your submission, or a summary of an oral submission may be read to them at the hearing.

The offender cannot keep a copy of your written submission and all contact details are removed.

The Parole Board can refuse to allow the offender to see your submission if there are exceptional circumstances. If you don't want the offender to see your submission, it will help the Parole Board if you can explain what you consider those exceptional circumstances are.

Signed _____

Date _____

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