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Dear Ms McMillan

Official Information Request– IR-01-21-17513

Thank you for your correspondence of 30 May 2021. You requested

- *Please provide correspondence by email or text addressed to the Police Commissioner, or Police Minister, including Waka Kotahi, and/or MP Julie Ann Genter regarding Bike Auckland's Liberate the Lane rally at Pt Erin on Sunday 30 May and information regarding plans to ride across the bridge as part of the protest?*
- *When was a decision made to close the two the northbound lanes of Auckland Harbour Bridge and have a police presence at the onramp and to close the on-ramp.*

Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). As Police does not hold copies of correspondence sent to other agencies, this response pertains only to correspondence received by the Police Commissioner and his office.

Police transferred the relevant parts of your request to Waka Kotahi and the Minister of Police, for their direct response. Police could not transfer your request to Julie Anne Genter, as she is not subject to the OIA.

- *Please provide correspondence by email or text addressed to the Police Commissioner and information regarding plans to ride across the bridge as part of the protest?*

Enquiries have been made with the Commissioner's office in respect of whether any correspondence, emails, or texts were received to his office. There is no record of any communications of this nature being received at the Commissioner's office.

- *When was a decision made to close the two the northbound lanes of Auckland Harbour Bridge and have a police presence at the onramp and to close the on-ramp.*

The decision to close the two northbound lanes was made during the protest on 30 May 2021. The decision to have Police presence on the Curran Street onramp was made in the weeks leading up to 30 May. The decision to close the onramp was also made on the day of the event.

Should you have any queries or questions please contact us on IR.Northern@police.govt.nz

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with Police's response to your request.

Yours sincerely,

Joanne

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