

18 March 2022

Mr M P Ross

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Dear Mr Ross

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 request of 27 February 2022 for the following information:

“.....regarding Victor Strategy and Communications, run by former senior advisor to Jacinda Ardern, Clint Smith.

- 1) *How much money has Kāinga Ora–Homes and Communities spent on services provided by Victor Strategy and Communications since 2017?*
 - 1a) *In what capacity has Kāinga Ora–Homes and Communities used Victor Strategy and Communications since 2017?*
 - 1b) *Please provide a breakdown of costs*
- 2) *Has Kāinga Ora–Homes and Communities used Victor Strategy and Communications services in terms of Social Media related posts since 2017.*
 - 2a) *If so, please provide copies of said posts.*
- 3) *Please provide invoice dates (and amounts) from Victor Strategy and Communications to Kāinga Ora–Homes and Communities since 2017.”*

I can advise that Victor Strategy and Communications has not been engaged by Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities and therefore, nothing has been spent on his services.

Your requests for posts and invoice dates are declined as these do not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'R'.

Rachel Kelly
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