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Ref: ALOIA258

Dear Harry

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) on 24 August 2022 for:

"All documents and Cabinet papers mentioning Whangarei in relation to infrastructure and health funding decisions from the date beginning October 25 2017"

On 1 September 2022 we contacted you in accordance with section 18B of the Act to clarify whether you were specifically looking for Cabinet material mentioning Whangārei in relation to infrastructure and health funding decisions. We asked this because your request for 'all documents' encapsulates a substantial amount of information, including emails and informal correspondence, which may lead to requests being refused under section 18(f) of the Act.

On 7 September 2022 you were contacted a second time to follow up on this clarification. However, my office has not received a response to date. In order to provide reasonable assistance in accordance with section 13 of the Act, I am providing you with a list of documents relevant to the topic you have indicated interest in. This list may be useful for you to refer to if you wish to make a more specific request in the future:

Date	Document title
May 2017	Northland DHB: Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment Strategic Assessment
13 April 2018	Northland DHB: Whangārei Hospital – Single Stage Business Case Interim Works Package
24 September 2018	Joint Report: Request for approval of funding for Northland DHB's Whangārei Hospital Critical Capacity Works Projects Stage One
1 November 2019	Northland DHB – Interim capacity and compliance – Stage 2, investment options
25 May 2020	Northland DHB – Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment
5 March 2021	Northland DHB Request for variation in Whangārei Critical Capacity and Compliance Stage one programme of works
April 2021	Northland DHB: Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment presentation

Date	Document title
20 April 2021	Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment Project Quarterly Assurance report
28 April 2021	Event briefing: Opening the new Cardiac Catheter Laboratory and operating theatres at Whangārei Hospital, and announcement of expanded youth mental health and addiction services across Northland, Auckland and Waitematā
29 April 2021	Regional Hospital Redevelopment Programme: Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment April 2021
30 April 2021	Whangārei Hospital Site Masterplan: Masterplan Report for Programme Business Case
21 May 2021	Joint Briefing: DHB projects variation approval requests
25 May 2021	Northland DHB – Critical capacity and compliance programme -stage two variation request.
15 June 2021	Joint Briefing: Regional hospital redevelopments
	Briefing: Health Infrastructure milestones for the next 12 months
13 July 2021	Joint Briefing: Health capital priorities, pressures and process improvements
16 July 2021	Letter re update on the Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment Detailed Business Case
19 July 2021	Letter re Northland DHB crown funded projects – Equity drawdown Q4 2020/21
27 September 2021	Northland DHB – Linear accelerator and associated support facilities including bunkers. Single stage business case
8 October 2021	Joint Briefing: Accelerating health capital project delivery
26 October 2021	Regional Hospital Redevelopment Programme September Project update
28 October 2021	Letter re update on the Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment Detailed Business Case
1 November 2021	Health Capital Envelope (HCE) – Project Performance Summary.
2 November 2021	Memo: DHB infrastructure update – October 2021.
18 November 2021	Northland DHB - Whangārei Hospital Redevelopment progress.
26 November 2021	Ministry of Health: Quarter One Performance Report 1 July – 30 September 2021 .
18 January 2022	Letter re Certification of costs to date.

Turning to your request for 'Cabinet papers', as you are aware the Cabinet Office undertook a search of CabNet to determine Cabinet papers that may be in scope of the request before transferring to my Office.

However, after reviewing the Cabinet papers that they identified, it has been determined that none of these are within the scope of your request. Therefore, your request for Cabinet papers is refused under section 18(e) of the Act.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Hon Andrew Little Minister of Health