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Tēnā koe Barry

Thank you for your request to Crown Infrastructure Partners (CIP), dated 17 August 2023, regarding the proposed development at Teitei Drive, Ohakune, which you made through the www.fyi.org.nz website. You requested the following information:

*“While waiting I have come across the following document.
<https://www.crowninfrastructure.govt.nz/wp-content/uploads/CIP-IRG-Quarterly-Report-MAR-2023-FINAL-with-table.pdf>. Please provide all documents and information pertaining to the Ohakune kainga ora project, while I wait for the others that you are talking with.”*

On 24 August 2023, your request was transferred to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities for a response under Section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). We have interpreted your request as follows:

“All documents and information pertaining to Crown Infrastructure Partners and Stage One of the proposed housing development at Teitei Drive, Ohakune, the project referred to in Crown Infrastructure Partners’ Quarterly Infrastructure Reference Group Update Q1: to 31 March 2023 available at the following link <https://www.crowninfrastructure.govt.nz/wp-content/uploads/CIP-IRG-Quarterly-Report-MAR-2023-FINAL-with-table.pdf>”

On 20 September 2023 we extended the time frame for a decision on your request to 18 October 2023. This extension was made under section 15A of the Act as your request required a search through a large quantity of information and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with our operations.

The requested information is released to you as detailed in the attached Document Schedule. Some information is withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- section 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons
- section 9(2)(ba)(i) to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied
- section 9(2)(j) to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

I have considered the public interest as required by section 9(1) of the Act and do not consider that the public interest in making that information available outweighs the reasons for withholding it.

The documents released include relevant emails and attachments exchanged between Kāinga Ora and CIP between 9 December 2020 and 17 August 2023 (the date of your initial request). They also include emails and attachments shared between Kāinga Ora and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development over the same period that pertain to CIP and Stage One of Teitei Drive.

I am refusing the part of your request relating to information exchanged within Kāinga Ora pertaining to CIP and Stage One of Teitei Drive. This is refused under section 18(f) of the Act, as the information cannot be made available without substantial collation and research. Between 1 January 2019 and 17 August 2023 there were more than 8,800 emails sent within Kāinga Ora containing the term “Crown Infrastructure Partners”, noting that each recipient and each email in an email chain generates a hit in the search. I have considered whether we could respond to the request if given extra time or the ability to charge for the information requested, however these options are unlikely to assist in this instance.

I am also refusing the part of your request that relates to emails or documents pertaining to CIP and Stage One of Teitei Drive exchanged between Kāinga Ora, Ruapehu District Council (RDC) and Ngāti Rangī and created before 15 June 2023. This information is refused under section 18(d) of the Act as the requested information is already publicly available. You can find information relevant to this part of your request on our website at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/urban-development-and-public-housing/public-housing/public-housing-developments/manawatu-whanganui-region/teitei-drive/> (under Resource and engagement documents and OIAs of note).

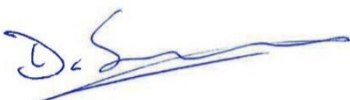
An additional search was undertaken for emails or documents within the scope of your request that were exchanged between Kāinga Ora, RDC and Ngāti Rangī between 15 June 2023 and 17 August 2023, however none were located. This part of your request is refused under Section 18(g) of the Act as the requested information is not held, and we have no reason to believe that it is held by another agency.

Two further documents are refused under section 18(d) of the Act. I am refusing your request for the final signed Funding Agreement for Ohakune Social Housing Project (Document 52) as this document is already available at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/assets/Publications/OIAs-Official-Information-Requests/September-2023/Agreements-with-HUD-and-RDC.pdf>. I am also refusing your request for the “Briefing – Infrastructure Reference Group projects approval – tranche 14 (Document 37). This document has been released by CIP and is publicly available at <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/uqed71ky2iqtlqse93o7/OIA-Response-approval-documentation.pdf?rlkey=2f8t0v5rchz2mbjg8hxxmijvq&dl=0>.

I trust you find this information useful. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of my decision on your request. 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 its 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.

Nāku noa, nā



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Deputy Chief Executive – Central

Document schedule

2020 Emails

Document number	Date	Description of document	Decision
1	9 Dec 2020	Email: RE:Q1282 Ruapehu Social and Affordable Housing MHUD/KO Project Feedback	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
2		Attachment: Q1281 Ruapehu Social Housing – Update	Released in full
3	24 Dec 2020	Email: Ruapehu housing issues	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

2021 Emails

Document number	Date	Description of document	Recommendation
4	21 Jan 2021	Email: Ruapehu housing issues and the release of the Government's Public Housing Plan 2021-2024	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
5	1 Apr 2021	Email: RE: Organising a meeting to discuss CIP for Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
6	8 Apr 2021	Email: RE: Letter from Minister Woods re Ruapehu Housing	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
7		Attachment: Briefing Note: – Housing Solution Tei Tei Drive, Ohakune Ruapehu CIP	Released in full
8	15 Apr 2021	Email: Re: Ruapehu	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
9	29 Apr 2021	Email: RE: IRG (Shovel ready) Project – Ruapehu Community Housing – Rescoped (Q1282)	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a), s9(2)(j)
10	4 May 2021	Email: Fwd: IRG (Shovel ready) Project – Ruapehu Community Housing – Rescoped (Q1282)	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
11		Attachment: Tei Tei Drive: CIP Background	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
12		Attachment: Ruapehu DC – Notes from CIP Meeting – 11 December 2020	Released in full
13	1 Jul 2021	Email: Re: Letter from Minister Woods re Ruapehu Housing	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

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14	2 Jul 2021	Email: Re: RDC Ohakune development proposal – A Call	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
15	26 Jul 2021	Email: Re: RDC Ohakune development proposal – A Call	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
16	9 Aug 2021	Email: RE: Draft memo on Ruapehu IRG funding proposal attached	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
17	4 Aug 2021	Attachment: Ruapehu social housing project, reconsideration for Infrastructure Reference Group funding	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(ba)(i)
18	15 Sep 2021	Email: RE: Ruapehu social housing project	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
19	1 Oct 2021	Email: RE: Progressing Ruapehu funding application	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
20	15 Oct 2021	Email: RE: Ruapehu social housing project, reconsideration for Infrastructure Reference Group Funding	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
21		Attachment: Individual Summary Project Report to IRG Ministers	Released in full
22	8 Nov 2021	Email: Ruapehu project schedule	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
23	18 Nov 2021	Email: Re: Ohakune Report Sections	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
24	18 Nov 2021	Attachment: Individual Summary Project Report to IRG Ministers (draft)	Released in full
25	19 Nov 2021	Email: IRG project approval briefing content-Ruapehu Social Housing Project	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
26		Attachment: Briefing – ‘Shovel Ready’ Infrastructure projects approval	Released in full
27	23 Nov 2021	Email: RE: Meeting availability KB/HUD	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
28	29 Nov 2021	Email: Ruapehu District Council (RDC) CIP fund application	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

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29	3 Dec 2021	Email: RE: Ruapehu social housing project, reconsideration for Infrastructure Reference Group funding	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
30	14 Dec 2021	Email: RE: Approval of Ruapehu funding proposal	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
31	15 Dec 2021	Email: RE: Approval of Ruapehu funding proposal	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
32	16 Dec 2021	Email: RE: Kāinga Ora / CIP / MHUD Shovel Ready Meeting	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

2022 Emails

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33	27 Jan 2022	Email: RE: Ohakune Project - Catch-up with Graeme and Cynthia	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
34	19 Jul 2022	Email: RE: Meeting request to finalise Ohakune Housing Project	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
35	19 Jul 2022	Meeting Invite: Ohakune Housing Project	Released in full
36	25 Jul 2022	Email: RE: June Reporting	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
37		Attachment: Briefing – Infrastructure Reference Group projects approval – tranche 14	Refused under s18(d). Available at https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/uqed71ky2iqtlqse93o7/OIA-Response-approval-documentation.pdf?rlkey=2f8t0v5rchz2mbjg8hxmijvq&dl=0
38	5 Aug 2022	Email: RE: Check on Ohakune social housing project	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
39	25 Aug 2022	Email: Re: HUD IRG Ruapehu Housing – Advice on Milestones	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
40	15 Sep 2022	Email: RE: Ruapehu DC projects	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
41	22 Sep 2022	Email: RE: Ohakune Social Housing Project	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

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42	25 Nov 2022	Email: RE: June Reporting	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
43		Attachment: Fw: Ohakune shovel ready agreement – KO/Ruapehu DC	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
44	28 Nov 2022	Email: FW: Ohakune shovel ready agreement – KO/Ruapehu DC	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
45	23 Nov 2022	Attachment: Draft Funding Agreement for Ohakune Social Housing Project	Released in full
46	2 Dec 2022	Email: RE: URGENT – RE: Ruapehu Ohakune Housing (Shovel Ready) – site works started?	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

2023 Emails

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47	3 Feb 2023	Email: RE: June Reporting	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
48	16 Feb 2023	Email: Fwd: June Reporting	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
49	28 Feb 2023	Email: RE: Teitei Drive Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
50	27 Mar 2023	Email: FW: Teitei Drive Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
51	5 Apr 2023	Email: RE: Teitei Drive Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
52		Attachment: Final signed for Funding Agreement for Ohakune Social Housing Project	Refused under s18(d). Available at https://kaingaora.govt.nz/assets/Publications/OI-As-Official-Information-Requests/September-2023/Agreements-with-HUD-and-RDC.pdf
53	14 Apr 2023	(No subject)	Released in full
54	15 Jun 2023	Email: RE: Media release for your review: Teitei Drive, Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
55	15 Jun 2023	Email: RE: Media release for your review: Teitei Drive, Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)

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56	15 Jun 2023	Email: RE: Shovel Ready Project Budget Update – Ohakune	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
57	31 Jul 2023	Email: Shovel Ready Contract No. - Ohakune Social Housing	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
58	3 Aug 2023	Email: RE: Request for partial transfer of Official Information Act request [redacted]	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
59	3 Aug 2023	Email: Notification of partial transfer of your Official Information Act request [redacted]	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
60	21 Jul 2023	Email: Ohakune development proposal	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
61	3 Aug 2023	Attachment: Letter – Transfer of request for official information	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)
62	15 Aug 2023	Email: RE: OIA Request: Consultation required	Released in part. Information withheld under s9(2)(a)