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Tēnā koe Ohakune Ratepayers and Residents' Society Inc

Thank you for your request to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities, dated 29 November 2023, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1) Please provide a copy of draft documents as of today, that will be submitted to support the resource consent application to either Ruapehu District Council or Horizons, proposed for early 2024 (Stage 1) earthworks.*
- 2) Please provide all meeting minutes from "Development Partners" since Meeting #2. As an example, meeting minutes were provided in 05. Combined RDC June 2023_Redacted.pdf page 14 onwards, held 8th June 2023 between 12:30-2:30pm at Ohakune Council Chambers, we are requesting a copy of all meeting minutes by Development Partners since that release.*
- 3) The existing resource consents submitted July 2023 include subdivision of individual lots and land use and subdivision designs. Please provide copies of emails providing advice, or that relate to the change of resource consent application method.*
- 4) Please provide copies of emails or documents or meeting minutes relating to the contract with MHUD for Teitei (or any other entity providing funding for Teitei Drive) since 15th June 2023.*
- 5) Please provide a copy of the latest budget (even if in draft) for Teitei Drive, the last amendment to the budget estimated the cost to be \$7.5m.*

I have addressed each question as follows.

- 1) Please provide a copy of draft documents as of today, that will be submitted to support the resource consent application to either Ruapehu District Council or Horizons, proposed for early 2024 (Stage 1) earthworks.*

Draft documents have not yet been prepared. I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as at the date of your request, the documents alleged to contain the information do not exist.

- 2) Please provide all meeting minutes from "Development Partners" since Meeting #2. As an example, meeting minutes were provided in 05. Combined RDC June 2023_Redacted.pdf page 14 onwards, held 8th June 2023 between 12:30-2:30pm at Ohakune Council Chambers, we are requesting a copy of all meeting minutes by Development Partners since that release.*

Please find attached the meeting minutes for the Development Partner meetings from Meeting 3 to Meeting 6. Some information has been withheld from the minutes under the following sections of the Act:

- 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons
- 9(2)(g)(i) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an

organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty.

- 3) The existing resource consents submitted July 2023 include subdivision of individual lots and land use and subdivision designs. Please provide copies of emails providing advice, or that relate to the change of resource consent application method.

I am refusing this part of your request under section 9(2)(h) of the Act to maintain legal professional privilege.

- 4) Please provide copies of emails or documents or meeting minutes relating to the contract with MHUD for Teitei (or any other entity providing funding for Teitei Drive) since 15th June 2023.

I refer you to the minutes provided in part 2 of your request.

I refer you also to the attached update (AH 23 088) and covering email provided to MHUD on 11 December 2024. Some information from the update and the covering email is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons.

- 5) Please provide a copy of the latest budget (even if in draft) for Teitei Drive, the last amendment to the budget estimated the cost to be \$7.5m.

I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the document alleged to contain the information does not exist. Revised costing of the project is still pending and no new information is available.

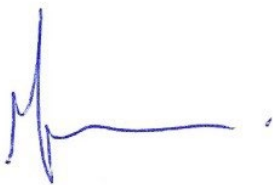
In relation to the information withheld under section 9 of the Act, the public interest was considered. I decided that the need to withhold the information outweighed the public interest in the information.

I trust you will find the information helpful.

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.

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Nāku noa, nā



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