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Dear Lex

Thank you for your request of 24 December 2019 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities requesting the following information:

*Please provide to me any information regarding the property at 70 Upper Queen street, previously set to be developed into housing by Housing New Zealand.*

*Is this property still planning to be developed? Please provide any project timelines about this project and when development is set to begin.*

We have considered your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) regarding the Kāinga Ora property at 70 Upper Queen Street, Auckland. It appears, on assessment, that there is a large volume of information falling within scope of the first part of your request that would require substantial collation and research to provide. For example, your request could include things such as associated reports, business cases, resource consents, internal communications and emails between Housing New Zealand / Kāinga Ora staff and external parties, or letters and other communications we have had with the community about our plans for the redevelopment.

That being the case, Kāinga Ora may decline part of your request under section 18(f) of the OIA. We do not consider that extending the timeframe for responding to your request or charging for the information would enable us to meet your request.

However, we would be happy to assist you in refining your request so that the volume of information falling within its scope is manageable. For example, it is helpful to provide a small timeframe for the information you would like, or specify a particular aspect of the redevelopment you are interested in. If you prefer, we are also happy to provide you with some general information, such as background to the redevelopment and where we are currently at in the redevelopment process.

If you would like to discuss this directly with the team, I invite you to email Kāinga Ora through the website at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/contact-us/make-an-official-information-act-oia-request/>

Yours sincerely

**Kāinga Ora**