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REF: OIA-11650

Dear Georgina

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email of 5 December 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*I would like to request the following documents under the Official Information Act please.*

*MIN-3975 4/ 10/ 22 Wellington to Hutt Cycling Network*

*MINO-476 14/10/ 2022 Update on the rail protest future disruptions*

*MINO-0494 19/ 10/ 2022 Pothole graph*

*MINO-498 21/10/2022 Allocated funding for National Ticketing Solution*

*MINO-0491 21/10/2022 LGWM: Golden Mile*

*BRI-2613 NZ 27/10/2022 Upgrade Programme Update October 2022*

*MIN-4001 28/10/2022 National Ticketing Solution Monthly Update - October 2022*

I am withholding the document titled *BRI-2613 NZ Upgrade Programme Update October 2022*, in full under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act. This section allows for the withholding of information to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials.

In relation to the remainder of the documents which you have requested, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency is currently undertaking a scheduled process to proactively release these items.

The documents will be published on our website, here: [www.nzta.govt.nz/about-us/advice-provided-to-ministers/](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/about-us/advice-provided-to-ministers/).

I am therefore refusing the remainder of your request under section 18(d) of the Act because the information requested will soon be publicly available, as we are aiming to have it published before the end of February 2023.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold this information and refuse parts of this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

Waka Kotahi is intending to regularly release more advice proactively, to make accessing this information easier for the public. We recommend checking our website for these monthly releases.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact the Ministerial Services team by email to [official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leisa Coley', with a small dot at the end.

**Leisa Coley**  
Senior Manager, Government