

24 May 2023

[REDACTED]

REF: OIA-12525

Dear [REDACTED]

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

Thank you for your email of 26 April 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*Under the Official Information Act 1982, I wish to seek a breakdown of the total costs involved (both total costs incurred and any additional outstanding quotes/invoices involved) in the renaming of the Ngauranga Gorge to Ngā Ūranga Gorge, including a copy of each invoice and/or quote. Further to this, I wish to seek a copy of the report/advice/briefing/request/document/other form of communication that led to the process of renaming this part of State Highway 1.*

Ngā Ūranga Gorge has not been renamed. The spelling of the name Ngā Ūranga has been updated from “Ngauranga” in some project communications to reflect the correct spelling and pronunciation, as advised by our mana whenua partners. There has been no cost associated with these updates. More information about this can found on the Let’s Get Wellington Moving webpage here: [lgwm.nz/all-projects/johnsonvillenga-uranga/why-nga-uranga/](https://lgwm.nz/all-projects/johnsonvillenga-uranga/why-nga-uranga/)

I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(g)(i) of the Act as the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and Waka Kotahi has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse 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.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Ministerial Services 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 'Robyn Elston', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Robyn Elston**  
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