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Dear [REDACTED]

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

Thank you for your email of 18 October 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*1. What are the titles of reports, briefings, memos, aides-memoire, notes or written advice, if any, that the transport minister receive between September 1 to October 18?*

*2. A copy of the following briefings and any associated aide memoires to the transport minister. Please also provide any attachments associated with these briefings/memos.*

*Parker 2/08/2023 BRI-2826 Waitemata Harbour Connections emerging preferred option media stand-up event*

*Parker 9/08/2023 MIN-4275 Quarterly Report on Borrowing Facilities and Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)*

*Parker 22/08/2023 BRI-2855 Northwest Rapid Transit Stakeholder Breakfast.*

*Parker 22/08/2023 BRI-2849 Airport to Botany Project Overview*

*Parker 31/08/2023 MIN-4304 NTS Minister Monthly Report August 2023*

*Parker 17/08/2023 MINO-859 Northwest Busway*

*NTS Minister Monthly Report September 2023*

In response to the first part of your query the titles of written advice Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency sent to the Minister of Transport in September and October are publicly available here:

<https://www.nzta.govt.nz/about-us/advice-provided-to-ministers>.

Therefore, I am required to refuse this part of your request under section 18(d) of the Act because the information is publicly available.

Please find copies of the advice you requested enclosed as outlined in the attached document schedule.

Certain information has been withheld in these documents under section the following sections of the Act:

- Section 9(2)(a), which allows for information to be withheld in order to protect the privacy of natural persons.
- Section 9(2)(b)(ii), which allows for information to be withheld in order to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.
- 9(2)(ba)(i), which allows for information to be withheld in order to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, 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.
- 9(2)(j), which allows for information to be withheld in order to enable a Minister of the Crown or any department or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)
- 9(2)(g)(i), which allows for information to be withheld in order 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 department or organisation in the course of their duty

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. 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



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**OIA-13882 Document Schedule**

<b>Ref</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>Date</b>
1.	BRI-2826 Waitemata Harbour Connections emerging preferred option media stand up event	2 August 2023
2.	MIN-425 Quarterly Report on Borrowing Facilities and Public Private Partnerships (PPP)	7 August 2023
3.	MINO-859 Northwest Busway	17 August 2023
4.	BRI-2849 Airport to Botany Project Overview	22 August 2023
5.	BRI-2855 Northwest Rapid Transit Stakeholder Breakfast	22 August 2023
6.	NTS Minister Monthly Report August 2023.pdf	31 August 2023
7.	MIN-4320 - NTS Minister Monthly Report September 2023_.pdf	28 September 2023