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REF: OIA-13076

Dear [REDACTED]

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 4 July 2023 requesting information in relation to the recent Treasury's Gateway Review of Let's Get Wellington Moving under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

I will address each part of your request in turn below.

...a copy of the above report

I am withholding this document in full under section 9(2)(ba)(i) of the Act due to the need 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.

Gateway reviews rely on the open and honest participation of agencies, project owners, project teams and interviewees. The engagement of agencies and projects in reviews and the effectiveness of the reviews themselves is therefore highly reliant on the project owners knowing that the review outcome and the report itself is confidential to them, with the focus being on supporting them to address any issues as required.

The sharing of review details and Delivery Confidence Assessment ratings will potentially have a negative effect across the Gateway process. This would compromise the willingness of agencies to participate in Gateway and limit the value that Gateway reviews add to the New Zealand Government Investment System. Please refer to pages 17 and 18 of this Treasury's Gateway guide around the disclosure of Gateway Review Report, available at:
<https://www.treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-05/gateway-guide-may18.pdf>

...any formal response and the relevant board papers and minutes where this matter was discussed.

The following documents fall within the scope of this part of your request and are enclosed:

- A. LGWM Partnership Board Meeting, 15 March 2023 (this includes the paper associated with agenda item relating to the Gateway Review Implementation)
- B. LGWM Partnership Board Meeting, 12 April 2023 (this includes the minutes of the 15 March 2023 meeting, and the papers associated with agenda item regarding the Gateway Review Action Plan and Implementation Plan)
- C. Minutes of the LGWM Partnership Board Meeting, 12 April 2023

Material that falls out of the scope of your request has been marked as such in the documents, and certain information has been withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- 9(2)(ba)(i) 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)(g)(i) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions.

You will note in the released documents that specific details relating to the outcomes of and response plan to the Gateway Review have been withheld. In line with our response to the first part of your request, this is because the Gateway Review is subject to confidentiality obligations.

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 some information and refuse part of this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss this reply with LGWM, please contact the Ministerial Services team by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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