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REF: OIA-13375

Dear ███

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 16 August 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I wish to seek a copy of all communications (whether that be via written communications, emails, text messages, or any other form of electronic communication) between NZTA officials and the Minister of Transport Hon David Parker's office regarding the announcement of the emerging preferred option for a second Waitemata harbour crossing, as announced on 6 August 2023.

The timeframe for your request was extended on 11 September 2023 as allowed for under section 28 of the Act.

The documents in scope of your request and my decision on each is outlined in the attached document schedule. Some information in these documents is withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- Section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons
- Section 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain 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 some information in your request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at 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 us by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

Robyn Elston
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OIA-11375 Document Schedule

Ref	Document	Date	Decision
1.	RE: for your help please – due 3pm today, 10 July 2023	11 July 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act
2.	RE: for your help please – due 3pm today, 10 July 2023	12 July 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
3.	RE: for your help please – due 3pm today, 10 July 2023	12 July 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
4.	RE: for your help please – due 3pm today, 10 July 2023	12 July 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
5.	RE AHC announcement – MoT suggestion	28 July 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
6.	RE: Waitemata Harbour Crossing event confirmed	28 July 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
7.	RE: AHC announcement venue	1 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
8.	RE: AHC announcement venue	2 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
9.	RE: AHC announcement venue	2 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
10.	RE: AHC announcement venue	2 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
11.	RE: AHC announcement venue	2 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
12.	RE: AHC announcement venue	2 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act
13.	RE: WHC engagement summary sign off	3 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
14.	RE: AHC announcement venue	3 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
15.	Re: For fact checking please - PR - due asap	4 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
16.	Re: 0608 PM Parker PR Hbr crossing version 3 (002).docx	4 August 2023	Some information withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act
17.	RE: Waitematā Harbour Crossing event confirmed	28 July 2023	Withheld in full under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act