

Laura Bowman

From: Official Information
Sent: Wednesday, 2 November 2022 10:03 am
To: 7(2)(a)
Cc: Official Information
Subject: Final Response - LGOIMA 286629 - 7(2)(a) - proposal to the Government's Infrastructure Acceleration Fund and documents previously requested which are now in the public domain
Attachments: OIA Request 5.docx

Kia Ora,

I refer to your **information request attached**, Hamilton City Council is able to provide the following response.

Your Request 1:

A copy of the Hamilton City Council's proposal to the Government's Infrastructure Acceleration Fund (IAF) which based on the Waikato Times article was approved last week just before the Local Government elections. At the community meeting on October 2, an HCC staff member confirmed this application was being made.

Our Response 1:

At this stage, the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund proposal is confidential to allow Hamilton City Council (HCC) to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities. Therefore, we are withholding the requested information in accordance with [s 7\(2\)\(h\) of LGOIMA](#).

Further this information may be made publicly available, post any government announcements which we expect to be before the end of this year. The release will also be subject to any necessary privacy or commercially sensitive redactions that might apply. Therefore, as this information will become publicly available we are refusing this aspect of your request per [s 17\(d\) of LGOIMA](#).

Your Request 2:

The documents requested in my previous LGOIMA request (below). With the information in the public domain now, there is no valid reason under the Act to withhold this information. Any records of any decisions made by Council or by a Council committee relating to the sale and development of Sonning Car park.

Our Response 2:

All relevant decisions made by the Council regarding the land at 191-197 River Road, were made in a Publically Excluded Committee Meeting. [s 48 of LGOIMA](#) allows HCC to keep these meetings confidential until an appropriate time for release can be determined, subject to approval from the Chief Executive. Therefore, we are withholding this information in accordance with [s 7\(2\)\(h\) of LGOIMA](#) – to enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

Further this information may be made publicly available post govt announcement and we expect it this to be before the end of the year. Therefore, as this information will become publicly available we are refusing this aspect of your request per [s 17\(d\) of LGOIMA](#).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Kind Regards,

Laura | Official Information Coordinator



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From: 7(2)(a)

Sent: Wednesday, 12 October 2022 12:47 pm

To: CEO <CEO@hcc.govt.nz>

Subject: Official Information Act Request

Good afternoon Lance,

Please find attached an Official Information Act request.

Thank you,

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