

9 August 2023

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REF: OIA-13089

Dear Chris

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

Thank you for your email of 11 July 2023 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Your request has been numbered as follows, for ease of reference:

- 1. Please provide any and all written correspondence from businesses excited about the work that LGWM are proposing and see it as a positive change. This can be emails, thank-you cards, file notes, social media postings, flowers, submissions saying how much they want this work. Please "do not provide" gerry mandered surveys, I require all of the correspondence and the names of the businesses so I can follow up and verify. I specifically want examples from business not the UN and their sustainable development goals.*
- 2. Please provide all the businesses that were involved in the planning, design and implementation to shut down these streets. If no businesses were involved then why not.*
- 3. Please provide the cost benefit analysis, companies that were involved, terms of service (instruction letters), any conflicts of interest, analysis, recommendations, memos, any and all information that was used to gerry mander the outcome you require.*

On 21 July 2023, we asked you to clarify and refine the scope of your requests because, as currently worded, they are very broad in nature and cannot be met without substantial collation or research. To date, we have not received a refined request from you. As such, I am refusing your request under section 18(f) of the Act.

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).

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact the Ministerial Services team by email to [official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



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