

17 June 2019

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Dear J Thurston

I refer to your request for information received by the Ministry of Transport on 15 May 2019, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"I would like to request formal feedback received by the ministry of transport on previous proposals to introduce roadside testing for drivers under the influence of drugs. I am not requesting all communication from other agencies, but rather feedback on previous draft cabinet papers and SUVs discussion documents, regardless of whether those papers or documents were ever finalised.

In particular I am interested in feedback from police, ministry of justice, and the department of corrections. I am requesting feedback or comments or concerns or costings received by MoT from 2015 through to 2017."

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your request.

We wrote to you on 31 May 2019 to clarify the scope of your request. On 31 May 2019, you confirmed that copies of two Cabinet papers considered by the Cabinet of the previous Government in April 2016 and in November 2016, along with their associated Regulatory Impact Statements, would meet your request. The table below lists the documents that fall within the scope of your request, with comments indicating where information has been withheld or refused, and why. The documents are attached to this letter.

Date	Name	Comment
6 April 2016	Cabinet paper: <i>Reducing road trauma: Random drug testing for drivers</i>	Released in full
6 April 2016	Regulatory Impact Statement: <i>Reducing Road Trauma: Random Drug Testing for Drivers</i>	The author's name is withheld under section 9(2)(a)
9 November 2016	Cabinet paper: <i>Additional measure to address drug-driving</i>	Released in full
9 November 2016	Regulatory Impact Statement: <i>Additional measure to reduce drug-driving</i>	The author's name is withheld under section 9(2)(a)

The current Government has recently considered the issue of drug driving. On 15 May 2019, the Minister of Police, Hon Stuart Nash, and Associate Minister of Transport, Hon Julie Anne Genter, released a public discussion document seeking feedback on possible approaches to better deter drug driving. You can find this document on the Ministry of Transport's website: <https://www.transport.govt.nz/land/drug-driving/>. Consultation closes on 28 June 2019.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman about the refusal to release information. The Ombudsman's contact details are:

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Office of the Ombudsmen
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Yours sincerely



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