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Dear Mr Petersen

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, originally sent to Cabinet Office on 2 July 2022. I am responding to the parts of your request which fall under my portfolio responsibility as the Minister of Housing, Minister for Building and Construction Minister of Energy and Resources and Associate Minister of Finance. You have requested the following information:

"All documents and Cabinet papers mentioning Whangārei in relation to infrastructure and health funding decisions from the date beginning October 2017"

I have identified the following documents within the scope of your request:

Infrastructure Acceleration Fund - RFP Evaluation Report. This document is being released as Attachment 1. I am withholding some information pursuant to the following sections of the Act:

Sec 9(2)(a)	to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of
	deceased natural persons.
Sec 9(2)(b)(ii)	the making available of the information would be likely
	unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the
	person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.
Sec 9(2)(f)(iv)	to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being
	which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by
	Ministers of the Crown and officials.
Sec 9(2)(j)	to enable a Minister of the Crown or any department or
(-/(3)	organisation holding the information to carry on, without
	prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial
	and industrial negotiations).
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State Sector Decarbonisation Fund – Tranche Five FINAL. This document is being released as Attachment 2. I am withholding some information pursuant to the following sections of the Act:

Sec 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

State Sector Decarbonisation Fund – Tranche Seven FINAL. This document is being released as Attachment 3. I am withholding some information pursuant to the following sections of the Act:

Sec 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of

deceased natural persons.

Sec 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being

which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by

Ministers of the Crown and officials.

State Sector Decarbonisation Fund – Tranche Eight FINAL. This document is being released as Attachment 4. I am withholding some information pursuant to the following sections of the Act:

Sec 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of

deceased natural persons.

Sec 9(2)(f)(iv) to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being

which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by

Ministers of the Crown and officials.

Out of scope

EECA 2022 BRF 002 – LETF Rounds 1 and 2. This document is being released as Attachment 5. I am withholding some information pursuant to the following sections of the Act:

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deceased natural persons.

Sec 9(2)(b)(ii) the making available of the information would be likely

unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

EECA 2019 BRF 036 LEVCF round seven projects. This document is being released as Attachment 6. I am withholding some information pursuant to the following sections of the Act:

Sec 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of

deceased natural persons.

Sec 9(2)(b)(ii) the making available of the information would be likely

unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

I have partly withheld the document 'IAF EOI Stage Final Committee Decisions and Recommendations' and its attachment (Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Portfolio List), pursuant to sections 9(2)(b)(ii), 9(2)(f)(iv) and 9(2)(j) of the Act.

As some information from 'Infrastructure Acceleration Fund Portfolio List' is relevant to your request, I have released it to you under Appendix 1. The table lists applicants from the Whangārei region who submitted an application to Kāinga Ora for Infrastructure Acceleration Funding (IAF). While this is an ongoing process, the applicants within Appendix 1 were either unsuccessful in securing a funding or ineligible.

For more information about the IAF, I recommend visiting the following links:

- https://kaingaora.govt.nz/working-with-us/housing-acceleration-fund/infrastructure-acceleration-fund/
- https://www.hud.govt.nz/urban-development/the-housing-accelerationfund/infrastructure-acceleration-fund/

As per the response to your request from Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry), Whangārei is mentioned across the Ministry's work. You can find this information through the following links:

- www.hud.govt.nz/our-work/enabling-housing-density/
- <u>www.hud.govt.nz/news/government-introduces-bill-for-more-housing-supply-in-main-urban-areas/</u>

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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Appendix 1: IAF Portfolio applicants from Whangārei region:

Proposal name	Applicant	Summary	IAF funding requested	Number of dwellings
Port Nikau	Whangārei District	A medium-sized Brownfield regeneration of an old port of 440 dwellings that serves as first stage of long term redevelopment (1100 dwellings). Transport infrastructure required has been removed from Waka Kotahi funding. Seeking funding for almost the entire infrastructure.	\$38,836,000	440
Sands Road	Whangārei District	A medium-sized Greenfield proposal with two developments on zoned land that requires a roundabout to assist the development of 600 dwellings. Seeking approximately 60 percent of the total infrastructure cost.	\$1,934,500	600
98 Peter Snell Road Subdivision	Whangārei District	Affordable residential sections. The cost of Whangārei District Council development contributions will go directly to the WDC and these costs to be offset against the developer's margin. Incudes road, storm water, sewer, watermain, power, fiber and earthworks.	\$2,187,294	107