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Jeannette Samundsen
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Dear Jeannette Samundsen

I refer to your official information request of 12 September 2014 where you requested "a copy of all section 130 issued under the Animal Welfare Act 1999 to Hastings District Council and all related correspondence in the period January 2012 until today."

The Ministry for Primary Industries has decided not to release the requested information as the investigation into this matter has yet to conclude. The information is being withheld pursuant to section 6(c) of the Official Information Act – "making available of that information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial".

Once the investigation is complete you will be notified should you wish to pursue the matter.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of our decision to withhold information. A request must be made in writing to:

The Ombudsman
Office of the Ombudsmen
PO Box 10 152
WELLINGTON

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Baigent'.

Dean Baigent
Director, Compliance