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Tēnā koe Ms Fee

**OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT 1982 (OIA) – REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION -
CHRISTCHURCH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LIMITED (CIAL)**

1. We write further to our email of 18 August 2023, acknowledging receipt of your OIA request (the **Request**) of 16 August 2023 seeking information (if held by CIAL) in relation to the professors' science briefing to Christchurch City Council.

We have answered your Request in this letter and for completeness, we set out your Request below:

Request: Received 16 August 2023 – Professors' science briefing to Christchurch City Council

"I'd like to see any emails, meeting notes or documents which mention or relate to the briefing profs Higham, Hayward and Noy gave to Christchurch City councillors this year."

2. We assume you are referring to the talk (briefing) whereupon the three abovementioned professors (who are part of a group of researchers, collectively known as the 'Informed Leaders' group), addressed Christchurch City Council (**CCC**) on 15 February 2023.
3. CIAL has viewed a recording of the above deputation to CCC and the presentation slides used. CIAL can confirm there are documents in existence which relate to the abovementioned briefing as follows - emails which we hold that mention Professors' Higham, Hayward or Noy are **attached** (as well as the presentation slides). Individual's names and contact details have been deleted under section 9(2)(a) as has information that was out of the scope of your Request.
4. There are no additional 'meeting notes' or 'documents' which specifically relate to your Request. As such, CIAL is not in a position to provide you with information which simply does not exist.

5. We trust we have answered your requests for information. If you require any further information or if we have in some way misinterpreted your Request, please let us know.
6. You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of the decisions contained in this letter. Information about how to contact the Ombudsman or make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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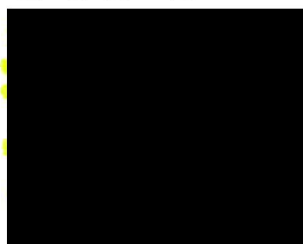
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Sent: Wednesday, 15 February 2023 11:18 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: CNC 15 Feb - Public forum: Tarras Airport Letter
Attachments: Item 3.1.2 Informed Leaders - slides for CCC presentation v2.0 - 15 Feb 23.pptx

Copy attached of presentation provided to Council this morning by the group of Professors.

Ngā mihi

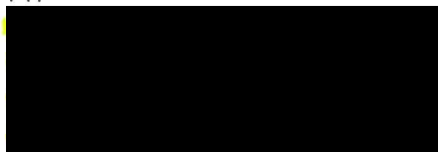
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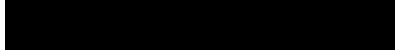
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Ph. [REDACTED]

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Cc: [REDACTED]@ccc.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: CNC 15 Feb - Public forum: Tarras Airport Letter

Attached is their presentation for your information.



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, 14 February 2023 10:45 am

To: [REDACTED]@ccc.govt.nz>; [REDACTED]@ccc.govt.nz>

Cc: [REDACTED]@ccc.govt.nz>

Subject: CNC 15 Feb - Public forum: Tarras Airport Letter

Good morning,

For your awareness/reminder we have a public forum presentation from the Co-signatories of the 'Informed Leaders - Tarras Airport Letter' dated 24 January 2023.

Professors James Higham, Ilan Noy and Bronwyn Hayward will speak regarding the 'Informed Leaders - Tarras Airport Letter' dated 24 January 2023.

The letter is available at the following link:

<https://informedleaders.com/tarras-letter-jan-2023/>

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

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[Redacted]

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Monday, 13 February 2023 6:33 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: Re: CCC - Central Otago Briefing

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

On 13/02/2023, at 6:23 PM, [Redacted]@cial.co.nz wrote:

FYI – were you aware CCC looking for a briefing on 7 March, I’ve gone back to Kelly for an indication of timing, please confirm if you’ll be available and who will attend (I will probably have to shuffle [Redacted] day to make happen).,

Thanks

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From: [Redacted]@cchl.co.nz
Sent: Monday, 13 February 2023 4:45 PM
To: [Redacted]@cial.co.nz
Subject: How is your recovery going?

Hi Deb

[Redacted]

Hey, have you heard about a Council briefing on Central Otago on 7 March (via [Redacted])? The Council have the co-signatories of the 'Informed Leaders - Tarras Airport Letter' dated 24 January 2023 presenting to them on 15 February (15 mins), Professors James Higham, Ilan Noy and Bronwyn Hayward regarding the "Informed Leaders - Tarras Airport Letter' dated 24 January 2023. Post that, at the first Council meeting they can fit you guys in, which is 7 March, they want CIAL to give a briefing to Councillors on Central Otago.

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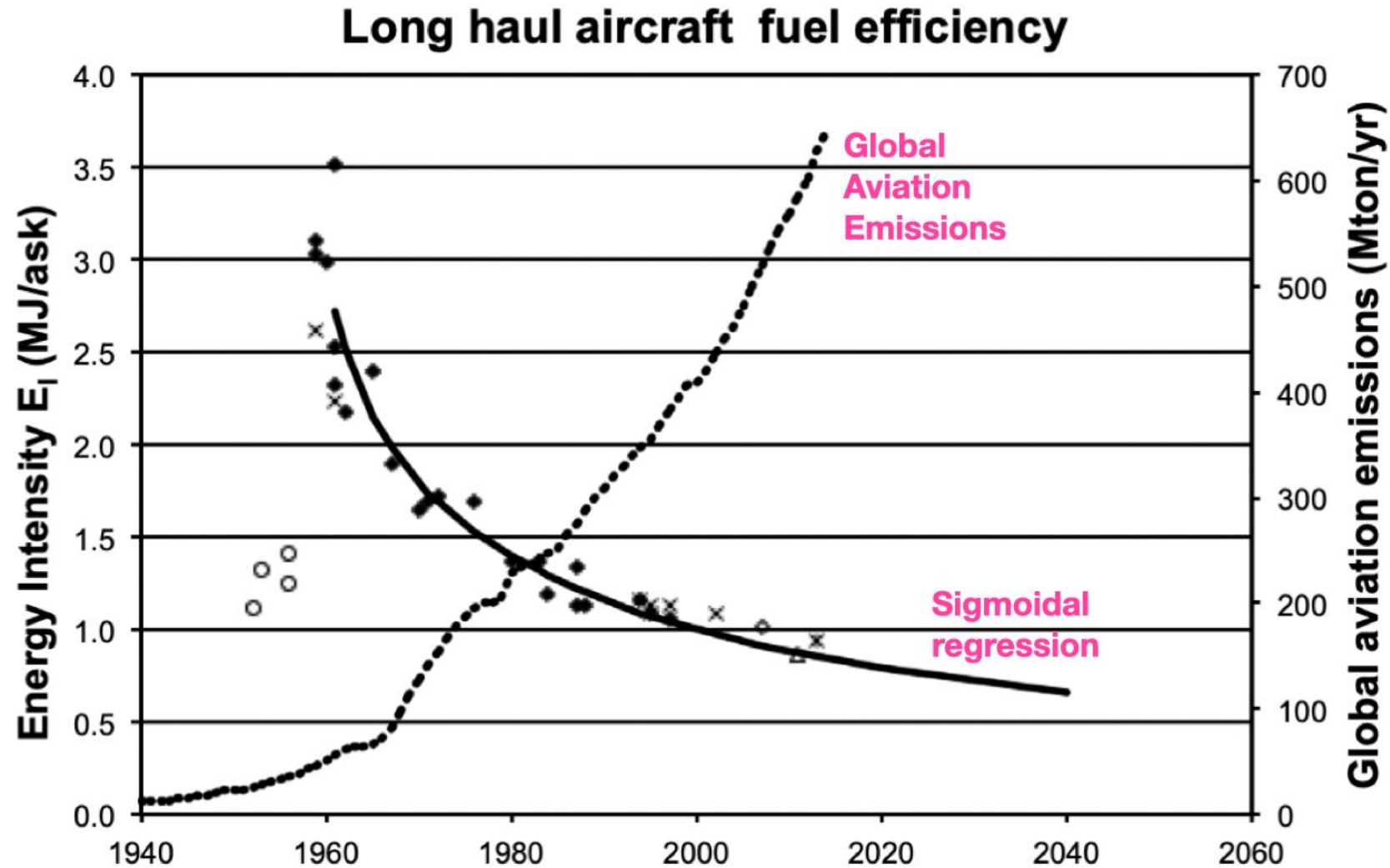
Distinguished Professor James Higham

Professor of Sustainable Tourism, Department of Tourism,
University of Otago

The Tarras Airport proposal is fundamentally at odds with current policy statements, strategy documents and international commitments.

- **Christchurch City Council declared climate emergency 23 May 2019**
- **Environment Canterbury declared climate emergency May 2019**
- **Queenstown Lakes District Council declared climate emergency 27 June 2019**
- **Central Otago District Council declared climate emergency 25 September 2019**
- **New Zealand Government declared climate emergency 2 December 2020**
- **Local Government New Zealand Climate Change Declaration 2017**
- **Destination Queenstown Destination Management Plan 2023**
- **Tourism Central Otago Destination Management Plan 2022**
- **Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment's reports (Dec 2019 and Feb 2021)**
- **Tourism Industry Aotearoa (TIA) Tourism Carbon Challenge November 2020**
- **Tourism New Zealand's "100% Pure NZ" Statement of Intent June 2021**
- **Tiaki Promise - November 2018**
- **Tourism Futures Taskforce - December 2020**

Improved aviation energy efficiency does not reduce gross aviation emissions



Source: Gössling and Peeters (2015)

**Absolute zero aviation emissions 2050
can not be achieved with incremental
improvements in today's technologies.**

Source: Absolute Zero: Delivering UK's climate change commitments with incremental change to today's technologies (Universities of Cambridge, Bath, Nottingham, Strathclyde, Oxford and Imperial College).

[...] there's absolutely no way emissions from aviation can keep on growing indefinitely into the future [...]

Sir Jonathan Porritt, Chair, Air New Zealand Sustainability Advisory Panel (2017).

I believe it is difficult to overstate the scale of the energy challenge.

Guillaume Faury, CEO of Airbus. The Guardian, 30 November 2022.

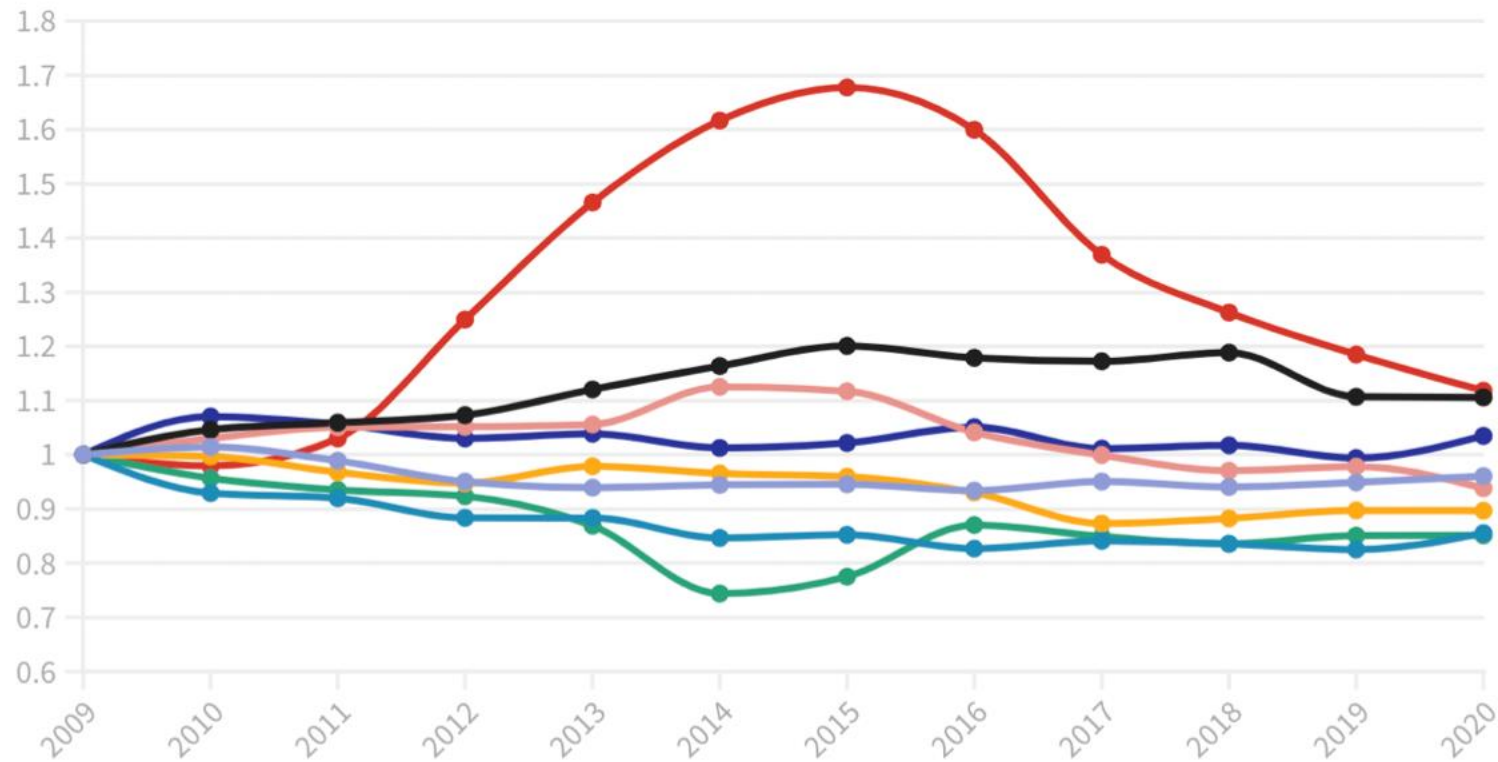
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Professor Ilan Noy

Chair in the Economics of Disasters and Climate Change, School of Economics and Finance, Victoria University of Wellington

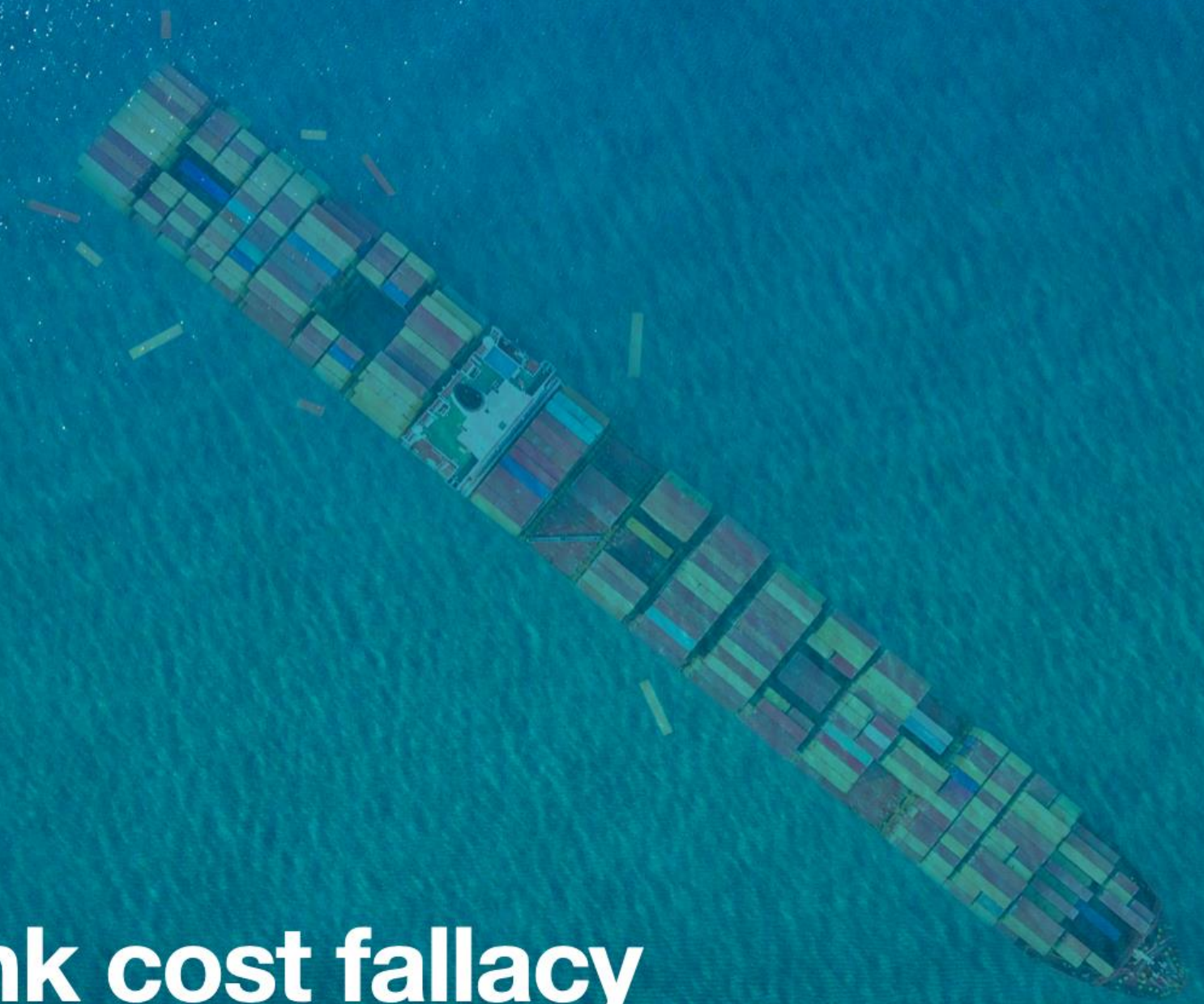
Economic sectors in Canterbury relative to the rest of Aotearoa New Zealand, indexed to 2009, 2009–2021.

■ Manufacturing ■ Construction ■ Accommodation ■ Hospitality ■ IT ■ Real Estate
■ Professional ■ Education



Source: Statistics New Zealand

Chatham Islands has been combined with Canterbury to maintain data quality standards. Figures may not sum to totals due to rounding.



Beware sunk cost fallacy

Professor Bronwyn Hayward MNZM

**Department of Political Science and International Relations,
University of Canterbury**

**Director of Sustainable Citizenship and Civic Immigration
Research Group, University of Canterbury**



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