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Ohakune Ratepayers and Residents' Society Inc <fyi-request-24678-709f8230@requests.fyi.org.nz>

Dear Barry Murphy

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST FOR REQUEST FOR PUBLIC EXCLUDED INFORMATION THAT CAN NOW BE RELEASED

I refer to your official information request dated 7 November 2023 referring to the Council Public Agenda (20230927) as set out below:

8) Item 5.12 refers to meeting consultation requirements, at the time the sites that were to be used (in the attachments) were to have housing in multiple locations and spread out. The ATMS was later adopted in November 2020 on the basis of this report and council receiving funds to develop their own land and then sell lots at "fair value" to provide an income to produce more projects and unlock the residual value of Council land holdings. The current S&P agreement signed for in April 2023 does not support this report or the ATMS. Council states it "has council owned land, including vacant land that falls under the portfolio of Community Property".

Please provide notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments that support the methodology change for gifting or selling "community property" for less than fair value.

We have decided to refuse your request for information which relates to your question set out above under Section 17(g) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act. The information you are seeking in this case is not held and would need to be created in order to respond to your request. There is no obligation on Council to create information in order to respond to a request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

10) Item 5.17 refers to statements made on properties that do not cover Teitei Drive, nor the scale and size of the original plan, to the plan that is now in place. Was this ever reviewed after the august 2020 report, if so Please provide notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments

This was never reviewed after the August 2020 report.

13) Item 5.22 it is our view that the ATMS was designed to allow council to continue on with the funding application, but further consultation did not happen as discussed on 21st April 2021 LTP and the intention of the ATMS did not suggest the gifting or discounting of land, the questions asked were on topics that no one denies, however it would be councils duty to further consult on the matter. Please provide internal emails, notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments that have the word Teitei, between the dates of August 2020 and 4th April 2023

We have decided to refuse your request for information which relates to your question set out above under Section 17(h) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act.



16) Item 5.27 please provide all negotiation emails internal and external, notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments that relate to the sale of land referred to.

We have decided to refuse your request for information which relates to your question set out above under Section 17(h) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act.

21b1) and provide notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments.

We have decided to refuse your request for information which relates to your question set out above under Section 17(h) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act. The request for information is not specified with due particularity and the information requested is trivial in pursuit of Teitei Drive development information. It is publicly available information that the Tenders Group provides oversight for the implementation of Council's Procurement Strategy, and meets to review, analyse and endorse the selection of successful tenders for various projects and initiatives.

21f) The [5 August 2020 Attachment to the Report] report item 3.1.4 states "rates positive" over time rather than "rates neutral" and 'the sale of the house and land will be at 'fair value', providing a positive net cash inflow to Council"; this at the time was if Council was to sell the land lots, something Kainga Ora will now be doing and taking the revenue. Was this item ever revisited by council; Please provide notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments.

This item was not revisited by Council.

21i) The [5 August 2020 Attachment to the Report] Item 4.3 of the report states "the application highlighted that the proposal was to facilitate a rolling, multi-year housing programme of regeneration and stock expansion across the District", however this is not the case in the new form of the agreement as council is not selling land or houses, thus there is no rolling, regeneration as no revenue is being made from land sale. Did council revisit this item, please provide notes, minutes, documents or reports and attachments.

This item was not revisited by Council.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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GOVERNANCE MANAGER