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E mihi ana ki a koutou Ohakune Ratepayers and Residents' Society

Thank you for your email of 01 November 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*I ask which "jointly funded" government agency funded this project (Orōnaki development on Foyle Street, Ohakune)*

Whilst the Ministry did not directly fund this project to a local entity, grant funding investment of \$55 million was provided to national iwi collective Ka Uruora to deliver up to 172 affordable rentals. This agreement is one of four prototypes signed with iwi partners as part of the Whai Kāinga Whai Oranga programme, in 2022.

The prototype partnerships were implemented as part of the government's investment of \$730 million through the Whai Kāinga Whai Oranga programme to improve housing outcomes for Māori.

The purpose of the prototypes is to be innovative and test what Māori-led housing delivery can look like at a regional level and at a pace and scale that the Government cannot do alone.

In regard to the Orōnaki Development on Foyle Street, Ohakune, Ka Uruora provided funding support to Te Kūmete O Paerangi (the commercial and investment arm of iwi Ngāti Rangī) to progress the building of the four homes. As you are aware the homes were recently opened and will be provided to whānau as affordable rentals, to be managed by Ngāti Rangī.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, 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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, the Ministry proactively releases information and documents that may be of interest to the public. As such, this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on our website.

Ngā mihi



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