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Tēnā koutou Ohakune Ratepayers and Residents' Society Inc

Thank you for your request of 1 March 2024 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), for the following information:

In relation to your public communications dated 28 February 2024, titled Update on proposed Teitei Drive development.

- 1./ Please provide a copy of the reasoning & the budget, that caused the \$2.3m increase in May/June 2023, taking the total budget to \$7.5m. Please provide a copy of this cost assessment around this time in 2023
- 2./ The FAQ that was included with the letter stated "independent quantity surveyor completed a cost assessment at the end of January 2024 based on the latest masterplan and found there would still be significant additional costs required to complete the land development". Please provide a copy of this cost assessment.
- 3./ Please confirm the 2 resource consents with RDC and the 1 with Horizon have been cancelled, and if not, when will they be.

In respect of question 1, please note that there is no budget in place because there is no approved business case. Your request for this information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

I am withholding the *June 2023 feasibility study including development cost estimate* under section 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 to enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). In making this decision, I consider that this will enable the Ruapehu District Council to carry out future negotiations without prejudice or disadvantage.

In respect of question 2, I am releasing the enclosed document titled *Final Quantity Surveyor Report Summary* based on the latest master plan.

The individual names and signatures within this document are withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons. I have considered the public interest in this information; however, it was concluded that the public interest in the information is not outweighed by the need to withhold it.

In respect of question 3, I can advise that Kāinga Ora has notified both Ruapehu District Council and Horizons Regional Council to withdraw both resource consent applications.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of my decision on your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases its responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <a href="https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/">https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/</a>, with your personal information removed.

Nāku noa, nā

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