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Tēnā koe Miss Forest

**Response to your official information request**

Thank you for your official information request received on 22 October 2024 for information relating to the Public Works Act review, namely the:

- “panel structure of the independent expert advisory review panel
- the reports, findings and recommendations drafted by the panel.”

The expert advisory panel was comprised of five members, including chair Charlotte von Dadelszen. Members were selected for their skills, expertise and knowledge of working in sectors that interact with the operations of the Public Works Act including land acquisition and disposals, infrastructure asset management, engineering, treaty negotiations and local government.

Further information on the panel, including the Terms of Reference and a bio on the members, can be found online at <https://www.linz.govt.nz/our-work/projects/public-works-act-review>.

The panel advice paper has been withheld in full under section 9(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act, as it is still under active consideration by the Minister for Land Information.

We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest to make that information available.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [ministerialsupport@linz.govt.nz](mailto:ministerialsupport@linz.govt.nz).

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note, this response letter outlining our decision on your request, **with your personal details withheld**, and any attached documentation will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand website. This is likely to be published by 29 November 2024

Nāku noa, nā



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**Kaiārahi**

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