

# Hon Simeon Brown

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Dear Michael

Thank you for your email of 18 November 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

*...could you provide me with all the information relevant to and/or used in the preparation of the following paragraph...*

*"Commuters in the capital will see a significant benefit in time savings from these upgrades. Those travelling on the number one bus between Island Bay and the Railway Station are forecast to save 9 minutes during morning peak times, while those on the number two bus between Miramar and the CBD will notice a saving of 11 minutes on their journeys," Mr Brown says."*

The paragraph above was informed by advice I obtained from NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) in October 2024 titled MIN-4667 *SH1 Wellington Improvements*. The relevant information from this document is attached.

Please note there was an error in MIN-4667 where the travel time saving figures for bus routes number 1 and 2 were transposed. These were subsequently corrected during the preparation of the press release I issued on 5 November 2024.

Certain information, including Appendix A, has been withheld under section 9(2)(ba)(ii) of the Act, to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold some information. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Simeon Brown'.

Hon Simeon Brown  
**Minister of Transport**