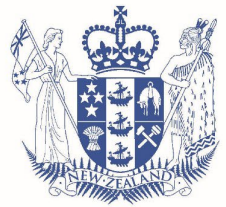


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OIA 26914

James

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Dear James

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request, transferred from Police on 13 April 2026, in which you sought:

*all communications if any, from or to Labour MP Ginny Andersen regarding 'Ride-a-longs', accompanying patrols or station visits in the last 12 months.*

Please find enclosed correspondence identified as within scope of your request. Please note that it has been necessary to withhold some information from this correspondence under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA, to protect the privacy of natural person and under section 9(2)(g)(i), to maintain effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions.

I consider the interests requiring protection by withholding the information are not outweighed by the public interest in release of the information.

I trust that this information will be of use to you. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with my response to your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Mitchell'.

Hon Mark Mitchell  
**Minister of Police**

**From:** s9(2)(a)  
**To:** [Ginny Andersen EA](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen  
**Attachments:** [image001.jpg](#)

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Mōrena s9(2)(a)

No problem with Georgie attending (sorry for the delayed reply!)

Ngā mihi,

s9(2)(a)



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**Sent:** Thursday, 2 April 2026 12:45 PM  
**To:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Thank you!!

Just confirming that MP Georgie Dansey will be able to join for this one? No problem if not

Ngā mihi,

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**From:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz  
**Sent:** Thursday, 2 April 2026 11:19 am  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <.@.>  
**Cc:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

And the final one....

Please see below details for the Hamilton visit on **8 April**.

Note that a car park will be reserved at Hamilton Central Police Station (please call Kirstyn s9(2)(a) on arrival for this), and Hon Andersen will travel with Police from the CBD to the Base – please let us know if she prefers to travel in her own car (they can always sort that on the day).

Time	Location	Owner		

1200hrs-1230hrs	Hamilton Central 12 ANZAC Parade Hamilton	Inspector Hywel Jones District Prevention Manager	District Commanders Office Level 4	s9(2)(a)
1245-1315hrs	Hamilton CBD- Beat	Sergeant Andrew Hall	Vehicle QAJ789	s9(2)(a)
1330hrs-end	The Base- Beat	Sergeant Andrew Hall	Te Rapa The Base/Te Awa	s9(2)(a)
<b>Contact:</b> On arrival at Hamilton Central, Front Counter Kirstyn Weldon EA to District Commander: s9(2)(a) (will meet and bring to District Commander's office)				

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s9(2)(a)



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**From:** s9(2)(a)  
**Sent:** Thursday, 2 April 2026 9:32 AM  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz>  
**Cc:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Mōrena s9(2)(a),

Please see below details for the Wellington visit on **16 April:**

14:00 – Arrive at Wellington Central Police Station, 41 Victoria Street, Wellington.  
14:05 – Speak with Beat Team – Early and Late Shift Cross Over  
14:30 – Deploy with Beat Team  
16:00 – Hon. Andersen departs

The point of contact is Inspector Jason McCarthy s9(2)(a) or Senior Sergeant Miriam Bentley s9(2)(a).

Ngā mihi,

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**From:** s9(2)(a)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 1 April 2026 2:10 PM  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <@..>  
**Cc:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora s9(2)(a)

Further to our recent chat, details from Police for the Auckland visit **7 April** follow:

06:30 hrs – Hon. Andersen arrives at Auckland Central Police Base (ACPB), (210 Federal St) meet and greet with Area Commander, Area Prevention Manager and Beat Team.  
06:45 hrs - Attend Beat Team line-up meeting.  
07:00 hrs - Deploy with Beat Team (including a Chaperone).  
08:15 hrs – Meet and greet with the District Commander at ACPB.  
08:30-08:45 hrs – Hon. Andersen departs.

Point of contacts: Insp Grae Anderson - s9(2)(a) ; back up is a/Insp Mark Clayton s9(2)(a) .

Ngā mihi,

s9(2)(a)



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**From:** Ginny Andersen EA <@..>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 1 April 2026 1:58 PM  
**To:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Thank you, s9(2)(a)

If there's an option for later in Auckland would be great but no problem if that's the best times!

Thank you for all the work finalising this!

Ngā mihi,

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 31 March 2026 2:48 pm  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <\_@\_>  
**Cc:** **s9(2)(a)** @parliament.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora **s9(2)(a)**

Updated timings follow – let me know if these suit and we'll get locked in.

Location	Suggested timing
Auckland	7 April Indicative timing is 6.30am – 8.45am
Hamilton	8 April 12pm – 2pm
Wellington	16 April 2pm start (this allows cross over between early and late shift sections).

Ngā mihi,

**s9(2)(a)**



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**From:** **s9(2)(a)**  
**Sent:** Friday, 27 March 2026 10:22 AM  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <\_@\_>  
**Cc:** **s9(2)(a)** @parliament.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Mōrena **s9(2)(a)**,

Have gone back to Police with this, hopefully shouldn't be an issue.

Ngā mihi,

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**From:** Ginny Andersen EA <[GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz](mailto:GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 25 March 2026 4:42 PM  
**To:** s9(2)(a) @parliament.govt.nz  
**Cc:** s9(2)(a) @parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora s9(2)(a),

Thanks, heaps, for this.

Is there any chance we could do the Auckland visit later in the day? Ginny has an evening engagement in Hamilton the night before that will make it tricky for her to be back in time. Otherwise we could perhaps look at Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> instead which those earlier times would work for!

For the other two. Hamilton would be great around midday & Wellington anytime after 12pm.

Thanks

Ngā mihi,

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**From:** s9(2)(a) @parliament.govt.nz  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 24 March 2026 11:28 am  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <[GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz](mailto:GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz)>  
**Cc:** s9(2)(a) @parliament.govt.nz  
**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Mōrens s9(2)(a)

Police have come back with some suggested timings/dates, and options for the Auckland visit. Can you have a look at these and see if either will work.

In relation to Hamilton and Wellington, if the dates are suitable, I suggest you nominate suitable timings (approx. 2 hours) and Police will work around this.

Location	Suitable timing	Notes
Auckland	9 April – morning	Proposed itinerary is below, option one is recommended as this is an opportunity to meet the Beat Team at their lineup:  <b>Option One (*):</b> 06:30 hrs – Hon Andersen arrives at Auckland Central Police Base (ACPB - Federal St) meet and greet with Area Commander, Area Prevention Manager and Beat Team. 06:45 hrs - Attend Beat line-up meeting. 07:00 hrs - Deploys with Beat Team (incl Chaperone). 08:15 hrs – Travel to DHQ (The Hub) meet and greet with District Commander. 08:30 hrs – Return to ACPB 08:45 hrs – Hon Andersen departs.  <b>Option Two:</b> 07:45 hrs - Hon Andersen arrives at Auckland Central Police Base (ACPB - Federal St) meet and greet with Area Commander, Area Prevention Manager and Beat Team. 08:00 hrs - Attends leadership team Daily start up meeting. 08:30 hrs - Deploys with Beat Team (incl Chaperone). 09:30 hrs - Travel to the Hub meet and greet with District Commander. 09:45 hrs - Return to ACPB. 10:00 hrs - Hon Andersen departs.
Hamilton	8 April	Suggestion is to start at Hamilton Central and go out with the Beat Team at either the Base for CBD – or both if there is time.
Wellington	16 April	There is a day shift and last shift for Beat section this day.

Ngā mihi,

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 17 March 2026 4:38 PM  
**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <\_@..>  
**Cc:** s9(2)(a) @parliament.govt.nz>

**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora s9(2)(a)

Shouldn't be a problem to accommodate those dates. Just confirming for each visit, we will look to incorporate a 'Station visit' (brief chat to staff working at each) and then to accompany beat section on beat patrol, likely in the vicinity of 1.5 – 2hrs for each.

Let me know if this works (or any alternate suggestions) and I'll go back to Police to arrange/confirm timings.

Ngā mihi,

s9(2)(a)



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**From:** Ginny Andersen EA <GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 17 March 2026 2:41 PM

**To:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz; s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz

**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora both,

We were really hoping that the Auckland and Hamilton visits could be organised for the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of April if this is possible? Anytime those dates would suit us.

The Wellington visit is very flexible as Ginny is based locally.

Thanks again

Ngā mihi,

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**From:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz

**Sent:** Tuesday, 10 March 2026 11:11 am

**To:** Ginny Andersen EA <GinnyAndersen.EA@parliament.govt.nz>

**Cc:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz; s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz

**Subject:** RE: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora s9(2)(a)

Sincere apologies for the delayed response here.

Thanks for your request.

The Minister gives approval for Hon Andersen visit those police stations provided that this meeting is at a time that works for those stations.

Facilitation of these engagements will be run through our office staff – they are cc'd.

Whether a walkabout can be undertaken will depend on availability of staff. As previously advised, Police have advised that it is rare for opposition members to engage operationally due to the additional complexities, however Hon Anderson is welcome to explore these options when organising the visits.

All the best,

s9(2)(a)



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**Sent:** Monday, 2 March 2026 2:56 PM

**To:** s9(2)(a)@parliament.govt.nz

**Subject:** Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Kia ora s9(2)(a)

I am requesting permission for Hon Ginny Andersen to visit the Police stations in Auckland CBD, Hamilton, and Wellington CBD, and to undertake walkabouts with officers at each location.

We are hoping to schedule the Auckland and Hamilton visits in the first week of the April recess (6–10 April), with the Wellington visit taking place in the second week (13–17 April).

Please let me know if any further detail is required or if alternative dates would be preferable.

**Ngā mihi,**

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**Sent:** Monday, 2 March 2026 3:21 PM  
**To:** s9(2)(a) [redacted]@parliament.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** Re: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

This is what I went back with last time. I suspect Mark will support the same approach

9(2)(g)(i)

Thanks

s9(2)(a) [redacted]

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**Sent:** Monday, March 2, 2026 3:09:59 PM

To: [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>  
Subject: FW: Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

Hiya – thoughts?

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**From:** Ginny Andersen EA <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Monday, 2 March 2026 2:56 PM  
**To:** s9(2)(a) [REDACTED]@parliament.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** Request for Station Visits - Hon Andersen

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