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Ms Liz Cameron

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Dear Ms Cameron

**Official Information Act Request regarding a meeting with the Coromandel Independent Living Trust on 15 November 2016**

Thank you for your Official Information Act (Act) request, received on 19 November 2016 requesting:

*"...all information on where this meeting originated and what was proposed, by who and to whom and why, and what decisions are being considered."*

The Department of Internal Affairs' (DIA) Hamilton Office was invited to deliver a presentation about the new Community-led Development Programme (CLDP) on 15 November 2016 at the Coromandel-Colville Community Board (Board) meeting.

At the end of the DIA presentation the Deputy Mayor asked whether the CLDP could progress a community facility. The Advisor explained that CLDP does not start with the end in mind and gave a recap on the principles of CLDP. The Advisor also explained that there are funds available if the Board's focus is a new community facility.

After the meeting concluded, the Manager of the Coromandel Independent Living Trust (Trust) and the Advisor had a brief conversation about possible funding options for a proposed community facility. The Advisor offered to meet with the Trust's Manager and the Thames Coromandel District Council (Council) to discuss funding options in more detail. This has not taken place.

As the exchange was spontaneous there is no formal record of the conversation.

I understand that the Council makes meeting agendas and meeting minutes publically available on their website at [www.tcdc.govt.nz](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with this response you are able to request a review by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Office of the Ombudsman can be contacted by writing to PO Box 10-152, Wellington or by email to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely



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