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Richard via FYI.org.nz

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Dear Richard,

### **Official Information Act (1982) Request**

I write in response to your Official Information Act Request dated 3 April. You requested for the disclosure of the following information:

- **Please provide a copy of any and all information (including but not limited to emails, memoranda, letters, briefing papers) that Counties District Health Board has sent to the Minister of Health and the Ministry of Health regarding the state of Middlemore Hospital's infrastructure.**

Your request is very broad in scope, making a response administratively complex.

We would like to take this opportunity to explain our process of communication with the Ministry of Health. Each year, we submit a number of statutory documents to the Ministry of Health, including our Annual Plan, Annual Report, and Statement of Performance Expectations.

All our statutory planning documents, including Annual Plans and Reports are available to the public on our website, at the following link:

- <http://countiesmanukau.health.nz/about-us/performance-and-planning/planning-documents/>.

This gives you access to current, as well as historical documents, including the Strategic Assessments, and Statement of Performance Expectation documents. These documents are communicated to the Ministry of Health, and cover major structural concerns relating to the buildings you have mentioned. Some of these documents signal our capital intentions about to facilities maintenance and development. In the main, these issues regarding capital investment requirements will be submitted to the Ministry of Health and / or Treasury, and then to the Capital Investment Committee.

We also completed and submitted an initial Long-Term Investment Plan (LTIP) in 2016; and are working with the Ministry and Ministers to finalise and release the current Northern Region Long-Term Investment Plan, which will be available soon.

CM Health does not routinely correspond directly with the Minister of Health or their office. CM Health's statutory processes and reports are communicated to the Ministry of Health, who advise the Minister of Health on range of topics, including DHB matters.

We have collated a variety of other related files for similar OIA requests, and in the interest of full transparency we are providing access to these files to you. Please use the following link to access the files

<http://countiesmanukau.health.nz/about-us/official-information-act-requests/facilities-information>.

Use username: **oia** and password: **goh6XzBkq6Vw** to login.

The link will remain live for two months, with access ending on 31 July. After that date, the files will remain available via request to CM Health.

Please note that this response or an edited version of this may be published on the Counties Manukau DHB website.

I trust this information satisfactorily answers your query. If you require more specific details, please contact us to help us understand your requirements. If you are not satisfied with this response you are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'GJ', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Gloria Johnson  
**Chief Executive (Acting)**