**Response: OIA2018.20 Request for two Wellington Metro Business Cases**

Dear Mr Randle,

Under the Official Information Act, you have asked for the release of two Crown Business Cases. They are;

1. *Wellington Metro Railway – Unlocking Network Capacity and Improving Resilience, and*
2. *Wellington Metro Railway Network Track Infrastructure Catch-up Renewals.*

You also asked;

* *Can I please have a copy of the Two Crown business cases submitted to the Ministry of Transport? Assuming each of these business cases includes a Benefit Cost analysis:*
* *Can I please have a copy of the Benefit Cost Ratio Calculation used to support each Crown business case?*
* *Can I please have a copy of the detailed benefits calculation used to support each Crown business case?*
* *Can I please have a copy of the detailed cost calculation used to support each Crown business case?*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

In response;

The business cases and the supporting information you have requested, are to be withheld pursuant to s9(2)(f)(iv). These documents have been tendered to Government officials as part of a wider transport sector process ahead of the 2018/19 Crown funding round.

These documents are confidential and to release them at this point in time would be likely to stifle the ability for Ministers, Officials and agencies to consider the advice and to make funding decisions.

Under s28(3) of the Act, you have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by way of complaint to the Ombudsman. Refer to [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) for more information.

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