

12 August 2020

John Jacobson

By email: fyi-request-13327-17a913c9@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear John

Official information request for information regarding the Democracy Project

I refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) dated 15 July 2020:

- 1. a copy of any proposal documents held by the university leading to the establishment of the project,
- 2. a copy of all correspondence relating to the proposal, any information held about negotiations in relation to the proposal, and the information held about acceptance of the final proposal,
- 3. any information relating to the costs incurred by the university, including hosting, insurance, etc, and
- 4. a copy of any contracts that may exist in relation to the project.

The Act requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to meet that time limit and we are therefore writing to notify you of an extension of the time to make our decision, to 9 September 2020. We will try our best to respond to you before that date.

This extension is necessary because consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me at oiarequests@vuw.ac.nz.

Yours sincerely

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