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#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT REQUEST

This letter is the response to your request of 17 February 2014, received on 18 February 2014, for the following information:

*I request ALL information regarding the recent audit into Resource Consents, etc, and in particular a recent complaint regarding the apparent extortion of money from a resident in Clifton Avenue, which apparently resulted in the arson of the complainant's home.*

*I request all information regarding audits carried out by the CDC in the last five years, and details of the Resource Consents - in particular a breakdown of the recent payment made by the resident in Clifton Avenue, which followed the telephoned extortion communication from the Council employee, and which was witnessed by the above mentioned complainant, in which your employee demanded payment be personally delivered to the Council in cash or "they will investigate all the other consents"; The payment was made within two days of the extortion attempt, for the full amount of all the resident's consents, BY CHEQUE, drawn on the resident's trust account.*

At Carterton District Council, there has been no audit into resource consents recently or during the last five years.

I am also unaware of any complaint recently about 'extortion of money from a resident in Clifton Avenue' or the 'recent payment made by the resident in Clifton Avenue, which followed the telephoned extortion communication from the Council employee' that you refer to.

If you are able to provide the house number in Clifton Avenue, the complainant's name, or the resident's name, it might be possible to find the information you have requested.

Yours sincerely

Marty Sebire  
Corporate Services Manager