

2 July 2021

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Dear Alan

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 3 June 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

On the 23rd of March this year , in relation to a crossing for pedestrians and cyclists over Auckland Harbour, the Minister of transport, Michael Woods tweeted "We're working through the options now and have to do this work carefully" & "This work is well underway and it won't be too long until we are able to confirm the way forward for this important project"

Please provide all documentation, design options and advice provided to the minister in relation to this subject.

In light of the significant public interest in the decisions regarding the NZ Upgrade Programme, a proactive release of advice provided to the Government to inform its decision making, including for the Northern Pathway, is currently being prepared. This will include advice in relation to identifying a preferred option for the Waitematā Harbour crossing section of Northern Pathway. We expect that this information will be published in the coming weeks.

I am therefore refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Act, because the information requested will soon be publicly available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, please contact official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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