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Dear K Yang,

**Official information request for 'Sale price of all residential houses in a territorial authority'**

I refer to your official information request dated 12 July 2021 for 'annual data for the years 2001 -2021 regarding the average sale price of all residential houses in each Territorial Authority in Canterbury'

The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 enables people to request official information from local government agencies, including Environment Canterbury; however, the LGOIMA only applies to information that is already held by Environment Canterbury. There is no obligation on Environment Canterbury to create information in order to respond to a request.

The information you are seeking in this case is not held by Environment Canterbury. I am therefore refusing your request under section 17(g) of LGOIMA.

You might find this information at the Real Estate Institute of New Zealand  
<https://www.reinz.co.nz/statistics>

You will be aware that if you are not satisfied with this response you are able to refer this matter to the Office of the Ombudsman under s27(3) of LGOIMA. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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