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Matt Brown

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Dear Mr Brown,

I am writing to you in response to your email sent to New Zealand Police on 9 August 2021, which was made pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) and specifically requested:

The privacy impact assessment (or equivalent document, policy) for the NZ Police's use of video footage from the https://www.communitycam.co.nz/index.cfm

Community Cam has been developed independent of Police. The Community Cam website holds a register of household owners who have a CCTV camera on their property only. Any footage uploaded is encrypted to maintain security.

Should NZ Police contact any of the registered owners on the site, they must provide a warrant or case number to provide assurance to the homeowner that the request for any footage is in relation to evidential requirements.

The site is now going through a thorough due diligence process to ensure that all security, privacy, legal and ethical factors are being reviewed and considered.

A privacy impact assessment for the New Zealand Police use of video footage for Community Cam has not been prepared to date.

Therefore, your request is refused under s 18(e) of the OIA in that the information you have requested does not exist.

You have the right, under s 28 (3) of the OIA to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely

Eric Tibbott

Director Community Partnerships and Prevention