Hon James Shaw

Minister of Climate Change
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OIA462

10 December 2021

Thomas Harvey

By email: fyi-request-17566-3f023282@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Thomas.

Thank you for your email of 14 November 2021 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

"...all information you hold in a ministerial capacity regarding the definition or use of the term "social licence"..."

Your request has been interpreted to include any information on how the term "social licence" can be defined, and how the term is currently being used, in relation to my ministerial capacity. Your request has been refused under section 18(e) of the Act, because the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website, at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please contact my office if you have any queries about this response.

Yours sincerely,

Hon. James Shaw

Minister of Climate Change