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REF: OIA-9256

Dear William

## Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 17 December 2021 to the Ministry of Transport requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

A decision has been made by Cabinet, so therefore it is time to release the report(s) prepared by Auckland Light Rail regarding the feedback they received. As their website states under the "Your Views" tab "The team used all feedback received to create an engagement summary" so at least one report exists.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency is responding to this request as the agency subject to the Act, while the Auckland Light Rail Establishment Unit resides within Waka Kotahi and operates independently.

I am refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Act as the information will soon be made publicly available. The engagement summary of public feedback is part of the Indicative Business Case, which is set to be publicly released once an announcement is made on next steps for the Light Rail project in early 2022. In the meantime, I refer you to the summary report on the Auckland Light Rail website which contains an engagement summary. This can be found at www.lightrail.co.nz/light-rail/resources.

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

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact the Ministerial Services team by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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**Richard May** 

Chief of Staff, Office of the Chief Executive (on behalf of the Establishment Unit)