



11 July 2022

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REF: OIA-10040 #2

Dear Tony

**Final response to your request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email of 29 April 2022 to Wellington City Council requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency has responded to parts 2, 4 and 6 of your request on 1 June 2022. This letter is to respond to the remainder (parts 1, 3 and 5) and additional response to part 4 of your request.

The attached Document Schedule sets out the documents that fall within the scope of your request. Please note that information contained within some of these documents that does not fall in the scope of your request has been redacted.

I will address each of your queries in turn.

*...1) Since July 2020, a copy of meeting documentation for all meetings between WCC and LGWM where the predicted population and housing growth for Wellington City was discussed including copies of any agendas, reports and/or presentations at these meetings.*

Please refer to attachments 1 to 4.

Certain information has been withheld under the following sections of the act:

- 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons
- 9(2)(g)(i) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty
- 9(2)(j) to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

3) *A copy of meeting documentation for all meetings between WCC and LGWM where the WCC Spatial Plan reports "Citywide Estimated Growth Distribution Figures September 2021" and/or "Citywide Estimated Growth Distribution Figures 25/09/2020" were discussed including copies of any agendas, reports and/or presentations at these meetings.*

I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

4) *A copy of the correspondence between WCC and LGWM where the WCC Spatial Plan reports "Citywide Estimated Growth Distribution Figures September 2021" and/or "Citywide Estimated Growth Distribution Figures 25/09/2020" were attached or discussed including copies of any other reports and/or other information was attached to or linked from these emails.*

As mentioned in our 23 June 2022 response, Waka Kotahi advised you that we would recover the 12 emails found during the email sweep for further assessment to determine whether or not they fall within scope of the request. Our assessment concluded as follows:

- Four emails are out of scope.
- Three emails are combined as one email chain. Please refer to attachment 8. Certain information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.
- Five emails are duplicates. Please refer to attachment 9. Certain information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

5) *A copy of meeting documentation for all meetings between WCC and LGWM where the LGWM "Urban Development Summary Report. October 2021" report was discussed including copies of any agendas, reports and/or presentations at these meetings.*

Please refer to attachments 5 to 7.

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Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to partially refuse your request. You can find the contact details for the Ombudsman at: [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Ministerial Services, by email to [official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely



**Sarah Gardner**  
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### OIA-10040 Document Schedule

REF	Document name	Information being withheld/reason for withholding
1.	Agenda for Alignment catch-up_ Planning for Growth and Let's Get Wellington Moving	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a)
2.	My track changes post PLT meeting	Some information is withheld under sections 9(2)(g)(i) and 9(2)(j)
3.	RE_ LGWM Urban Development Steering Group meeting (1)	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a).
4.	RE_ LGWM_ WRGF meeting 20 May - agenda	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a).
5.	2021-11-09 LGWM Urban Development Steering Group meeting notes	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i).
6.	LGWM Governance Reference Group papers - 28 February 2022 hui	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a).
7.	RE_ LGWM Urban Development Steering Group meeting - 9 Nov 2021	Some information is withheld under sections 9(2)(a) and 9(2)(g)(i).
8.	RE_ LGWM_ reconciling key population figures	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a).
9.	FYI - more three waters information following Wednesday's presentation on suburb infrastructure priorities for growth	Some information is withheld under section 9(2)(a).