



14 October 2014

Ross Browne

Fyi-request-1932-9aae73f9@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Browne

Official Information Act request

You have requested all submissions made by individual Police, members of the public, or other organisations made as part of the 2013 review of the search and rescue chapter of the Police Manual conducted by Inspector Joe Green while acting manager of emergency management and his successors.

The consultation process for the rewrite of the SAR chapter of the Police Manual was based initially on the pre existing SAR Review and discussion with the instructors at the 2013 National SAR Course at Dip Flat. Inspector Green also spoke with Finance and Human Resource sections within Police National HQ. From this a draft was developed and sent that to Police Operations Managers and SAR coordinators in District.

Inspector Green then facilitated a series of District meetings during September 2013. He took handwritten notes. Once the master draft was agreed these notes were disposed of.

Inspector Green sent this draft to SAR partner agencies. Some feedback was received in e mails, some was received orally. These were considered and the chapter amended where appropriate.

Inspector Green has been able to locate some e mails and these are attached.

In terms of the balance of the information within the scope of your request; I refuse your request under section 18 (f) of the Official Information Act 1982 in that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation and research, and, in relation to the notes disposed of your request is refused pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information does not exist or cannot be found. Some identifying personal information has been withheld under the privacy grounds of section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

Yours sincerely


Superintendent Barry Taylor
National Manager Response and Operations