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Ref. CHOIA275

Dear Scott,

Response to your request for official information

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the former Minister for COVID-19 Response, Hon Chris Hipkins. I am responding to you as the matters you raise now fall within my portfolio responsibilities. On 30 May 2022, you requested a copy of the following document:

"I would like to make a request for a copy of the following Cabinet paper and its associated minute:

"COVID-19 Response: Managing Omicron in the Community."

Your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act, as information requested will soon be publicly available. The cabinet paper will be available by the end of July 2022 and will be published at the following address: www.covid19.govt.nz/about-our-covid-19-response/proactive-releases/

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review any decisions made under this request. The Ombudsman may be contacted by email at: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or by calling 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely,

Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall

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