

29 June 2022

Merlene Chambers
fyi-request-19542-868b109b@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Merlene

Request for information – Our Reference IR-01-22-15809

Thank you for your information request of 31/05/2022 requesting information with regards to a trespass notice.

You requested:

According to the Official Information Act i am here by requesting all information regarding the trespass notice served by NZ Police served on the occupiers at the former NZ Defense property known as Watts Peninsula (Fort Ballance) on or about 24th May 2022 For your ease of reference and the interests of clarity a copy of the document can be viewed at the link below.

To make it clear i am requesting all information on the Police file regarding this matter, in particular i request the Police to identify the Occupier of the property who is referred to in the Trespass Notice.

This request is urgent due to the nature of the wording of the trespass notice which warns of a possible term of imprisonment and fine.

I am a Citizen of New Zealand. I was born in New Zealand.

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Yours faithfully,

Merlene Chambers

Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 and the Privacy Act 2020. Response below:

- I was unable to access the trespass notice from your link so I have provided a copy below.
- A group of people had set up an unauthorised camp at 270 – 270A Massey Road, Maupuia, Wellington.
- Both LINZ and NIWA delegated authority to Police to issue a trespass notice to the group, giving the group until 25/05/2022 to remove from the site.
- The trespass notice was served at about 1300hrs on Tuesday the 24th of May 2022 by Sergeant Mike BYRNE to a spokesperson who the group had nominated to receive the trespass notice on the group's behalf.
- Multiple copies of the trespass notice were provided to the spokesperson.

New Zealand Police

www.police.govt.nz
Telephone: 105

- The 'Occupier' is NIWA (National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research).

Police has withheld some information you requested on the following ground(s):

- Section 9(2)(a) of the OIA – withholding the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons. Police considers that the interest requiring protection by withholding the information is not outweighed by any public interest in its release.

You are entitled to request correction of personal information held by Police, in accordance with IPP 7 of the Privacy Act.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Your request has now been closed. Should you wish to receive further information from Police in the future, we have provided a link to our online portal for your convenience:

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice-services/request-information>.

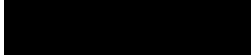
Yours sincerely

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From: Merlene Chambers <fyi-req[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, 31 May 2022 8:37 PM
To: Ministerial Services
Subject: CHAMBERS_MERLENE IR-01-22-15809 [EXTERNAL] Official Information request - Request for Police File regarding Trespass Notice served at Fort Balance

Categories: 1. Awaiting action

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This is an Official Information request made via the FYI website.

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If you find this service useful as an Official Information officer, please ask your web manager to link to us from your organisation's OIA or LGOIMA page.



Notice under the Trespass Act 1980

The Occupier of the property at **270 and 270A Massey Road, Maupuia, Wellington** known as the former NIWA Research Centre has temporarily delegated its authority under sections 3 and 4 of the Trespass Act 1980 to New Zealand Police.

Please note that you do not have permission to enter or remain on this property for any reason and are being directed to leave.

You have until Wednesday 25th May 2022 to vacate this property after which time you will be considered a trespasser. If you are arrested and charged with trespass, you may be liable to a fine of up to \$1,000 or up to three months' imprisonment.

Signed:

MIKE BYRNE
NZ POLICE

Date:

24 MAY 2022



Notice under the Trespass Act 1980

The Occupier of the property being Section 100 SO 528811 – the former New Zealand Defence Property known as Watts Peninsula (Fort Ballance) has temporarily delegated its authority under sections 3 and 4 of the Trespass Act 1980 to New Zealand Police.

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Signed:



Mike BYRNE
N2 Police

Date: 24 MAY 2022