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Mr Liam Stoneley
By email to: fyi-request-2459-fbc5ad6f@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Sir

Official Information Request

I refer to your Official Information Act request of 1 February 2015, in which you requested:

- 1. For all Electoral Offences between 2008 and 2014, have the Police ever sought advice from Crown Law on whether to prosecute or the general advice on certain fact patterns?
- 2. If so, how many cases have they sought advice on?
- 3. Could you please provide a breakdown, preferably in a table, of what type (i.e. section of the Crimes Act) of offences they were for.
- 4. Could please provide any correspondence between Police and Crown Law regarding these matters, including the request for advice and the advice."

Police have not sought advice from Crown Law in relation to electoral offences between 2008 and 2014.

As no advice was sought there is no information available for your points 2 - 4, therefore that part of your request is refused pursuant to Section 18(e) in that the information requested does not exist.

I apologise that the response to your request is past the 20 working day period and that no extension advice was sent to you.

If you are not satisfied with the response to your request, you have the right to complain to the Office of the Ombudsmen and seek an investigation and review of my decision.

Yours faithfully

R T Drew

Detective Superintendent

National Manager

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