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Tēnā koe John,

Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 18 January 2024 for information relating to Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand's (LINZ's) first meeting with the Minister for Land Information (Hon Chris Penk).

Responses to your questions are recorded below:

The date, time and location of your initial meeting with the new Minister for Land Information for your department

Tuesday November 28 at 3pm, at LINZ offices 155 The Terrace, Radio New Zealand House.

A list of attendees at this meeting

- Hon Chris Penk – Minister for Land Information
- Gaye Searancke – Secretary and Chief Executive
- Adrienne Meikle – Acting Secretary and Chief Executive
- Richard Hawke – Director, Office of the Chief Executive
- Jan Pierce – Kaihautū, Customer Delivery
- Murray Young – Kaihautū, Delivery
- Claire Richardson – Kaihautū, Organisational Effectiveness
- Amanda Moran – Head of Strategy, Policy and Design
- Rebecca McAtamney – Head of Regulatory Practice and Delivery
- Jo Irain – Senior Private Secretary
- Harry Peterson – Ministerial Advisor
- Caitlin Marshall – Private Secretary

The cost of any flights and accommodation for staff who reside outside of wellington to attend this meeting

There was no cost for any flights and accommodation for this meeting as all staff reside in Wellington.

Any documentation provided at the meeting

The following documents were provided to the Minister at meeting. You will find them attached.

- BRF 24-149 Crown Land – Land Information Portfolio
- LINZ Crown Land and Property piechart (by hectare)
- LINZ Crown Land and Property A3
- BRF 24-150 Property Rights – Land Information Portfolio
- BRF 24-151 Geographic and Property Information - Land Information Portfolio
- BRF 24-157 Overseas Investment Land Information Portfolio
- Geographic and Property Datasets
- Geographic and Property Information – Overview
- STEP and SouthPAN Slides

Some information has been withheld under the following sections of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

- section 9(2)(g)(i) – to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation
- section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials.

All notes (including handwritten notes) taken at the meeting by department staff

There were no notes taken at the meeting by department staff, therefore this part of your request is declined under s18(e) of the OIA as the information requested does not exist.

A copy of any emails sent by department attendees or all staff communications regarding the meeting with the new Minister.

Attached you will find two emails related to the meeting with the new Minister for Land Information.

Your initial briefing document sent to the new Minister.

The Briefing to the Incoming Minister for Land Information is publicly available. It can be accessed through the following link: <https://www.linz.govt.nz/resources/briefing/briefing-incoming-minister-land-information-nov-2023>.

We are of the view the withholding of the information is not outweighed by the public interest to make that information available.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Simon Skews-Poole, Leader Ministerial and Government Services at ministerialsupport@linz.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note, this response letter outlining our decision on your request, **with your personal details withheld**, and any attached documentation will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand website. This is likely to be published by 29 March 2024

Nāku noa, nā



Adrienne Meikle
Secretary and Chief Executive Toitū Te Whenua