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OIA24-073

A Collins
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Dear A Collins

Thank you for your email of 7 February 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

“...copies of any letters the Minister or his office have sent to councils and local authorities since 20 November 2023.”

A list of the eight letters which fall within scope of your request is attached at **Appendix A**. Copies of these letters are also attached. The letter marked as number four in the list and document set is an example of what was sent to all councils and local authorities.

You have the right, under section 28 of the Act, to seek a review of my decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. The postal address of the Office of the Ombudsman is PO Box 10152, Wellington. Alternatively, you can phone 0800 802 602 or email info@ombudsman.parliament.govt.nz.

Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. - B.' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Hon Simeon Brown
Minister of Local Government

Appendix A: List of letters within scope of request

#	Name of document	Document date	Release or withhold
1	Letter to Mayor Wayne Brown, Auckland Council	14 December 2023	Release
2	Letter to Mayor Moho Tepania, Far North District Council & Mayor Craig Jepsen, Kaipara District Council	14 December 2023	Release
3	Letter to Mayor Vince Cocurullo, Whangārei District Council	14 December 2023	Release
4	Letter to Mayor Sandra Hazelhurst, Hastings District Council	14 December 2023	Release
5	Letter to Mayor Campbell Barry, Hutt City Council	20 December 2023	Release
6	Letter to Mayor Neil Holdom, New Plymouth District Council	16 January 2024	Release
7	Letter to Mayor Tory Whanau, Wellington City Council	19 January 2024	Release
8	Letter to Mayor Tory Whanau, Wellington City Council	20 January 2024	Release