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Dear Lucy

Thank you for your email of 11 April 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

You recently made statements that landlords have exited the rental market due to policies introduced by the previous government.

Can you please provide me with the data that supports this claim? How many landlords have exited the rental market in the previous five years? If you don't have nationwide data as I suspect, can you please tell me:

- A) how many landlords have told you they exited the market*
- B) how this information was collected, and over what period*
- C) what feedback was sought from tenants, if any?*

Additionally, I am interested to know how the government intends to monitor the results of these new policies?

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development – Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga (the Ministry) regularly commissions surveys of renters and landlords. These surveys are designed to track the impact of legislative changes on the residential rental market through a twice-yearly online survey of renters and landlords from across the country. These reports are available on the Ministry website at: <https://tinyurl.com/mtpep3k5>.

I understand the latest results will be published by the Ministry soon.

I am refusing your request under section 18(d), that the information is publicly available.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website at: <http://tinyurl.com/yckxn6bz>.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Bishop'.

Hon Chris Bishop
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