

27 May 2024

Joshua Rogers
fyi-request-26548-85e950d8@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Joshua

Request for information

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 27 April 2024, in which you requested:

Could you please provide ALL correspondence regarding the following OIA requests made by me through FYI.org.nz. Please include any external communications if any.

*FYI/OIA Requests:
IR-01-23-34235 (Theft ex Shop - Hamilton Police)
IR 01 23 34074 (Hamilton City Shoplifting Jobs)
IR 01 23 34099 (Hamilton City Shoplifting Jobs)
IR 01 22 11191 (Waikato Police Facebook Post)*

On 15 May 2024 you were contacted by Police to refine your request. On the same day you refined your request to:

Could you please provide correspondence for IR-01-23-34235

Please find attached a compilation of emails and associated attachments that relate to OIA IR-01-24-34235. You will find some email chains have been repeated. This is to ensure Police provide a comprehensive response and don't exclude any emails. Please note that it has been necessary to withhold some information under the following sections of the OIA:

- 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons
- 9(2)(g)(i) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation of officers and employees of any Department or organisation in the course of their duty.

Note draft responses attached to emails are withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the OIA. In addition, I have not included copies of correspondence between yourself and Police in relation to this request, as you will already have these.

Police considers the interests requiring protection by withholding the information are not outweighed by any public interest in release of the information.

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.

Nāku noa, nā



Lee Hodgson
Director – Ministerial Services
New Zealand Police

From: [FAULKNER, Neil](#)
To: [SHANKS, Wayne](#)
Subject: Fwd: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235
Date: Friday, 27 October 2023 11:09:09 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thoughts?

Regards
Neil

From: BIRD, Bruce <xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 10:59:53 AM
To: JONES, Hywel <xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>; SASSO, Tony <Tony.Sasso@police.govt.nz>;
FAULKNER, Neil <xxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
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Kushla Dunning
Sergeant KDDW94

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Waikato Operations Group

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From: [SASSO, Tony](#)
To: [BIRD, Bruce](#); [JONES, Hywel](#); [FAULKNER, Neil](#)
Subject: RE: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235
Date: Friday, 27 October 2023 11:48:41 AM
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Cheers,

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Tony Sasso
District Manager, Intelligence
Waikato DHQ

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To: [DUNNING, Kushla](#)
Subject: RE: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235
Date: Friday, 27 October 2023 11:58:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi Kushla

I don't think there is anything we in terms of correspondence

We are happy to meet with the reporter to discuss our strategy around theft ex shops – I take it that reporter is referring to shoplifting

Regards

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To: [SASSO, Tony](#); [BIRD, Bruce](#); [FAULKNER, Neil](#)
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Yep – nothing that fits the below criteria that I can recall.

Hywel Jones

District Prevention Manager

Waikato Police

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Cheers,

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To: [SHANKS, Wayne](#)
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Date: Friday, 27 October 2023 3:02:12 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
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Perfect thanks

Regards
Neil

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Sent: Friday, October 27, 2023 12:49:40 PM
To: FAULKNER, Neil <xxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
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A couple, but feel this might be better dealt with via a face to face conversation.

Shall we look to address this early next week?

Wayne SHANKS
Senior Sergeant
Case Management Coordinator
Waikato Operations Group

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Kushla

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Cheers,

Tony

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Thanks Kushla

No issues at all

Regards

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To: BIRD, Bruce <xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
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Hi again Sir,

Please see attached my proposed letter of reply Joshua Rogers for your information.

I will wait for your reply.

Thank you,

Kushla

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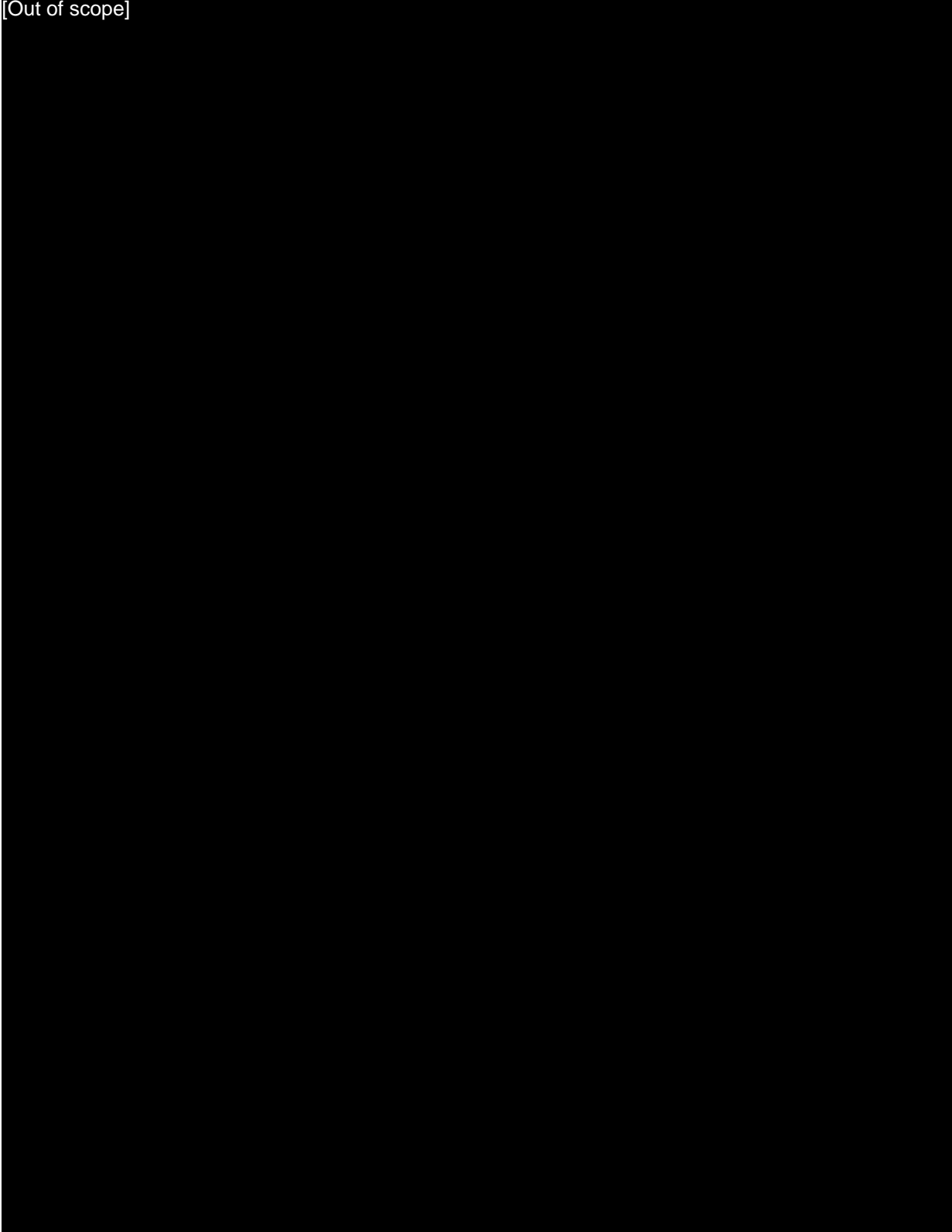
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From: [Ministerial Services](#)
To: [DUNNING, Kushla](#)
Subject: RE: OIA - IR-01-23-34235
Date: Monday, 13 November 2023 1:46:00 PM
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Hi Kushla

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Thanks,
Brittany

Brittany Jamieson (she/her)

Senior Advisor

Ministerial Services

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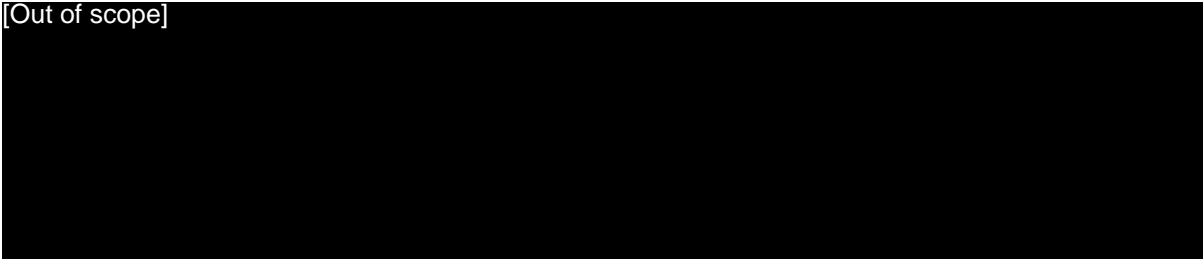
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From: DUNNING, Kushla <[x@xx](#)>
Sent: Thursday, 9 November 2023 3:39 pm
To: Ministerial Services <[x@xx](#)>
Subject: RE: OIA - IR-01-23-34235

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Kushla

From: Ministerial Services <[x@xx](#)>
Sent: Thursday, 9 November 2023 3:29 PM
To: DUNNING, Kushla <[x@xx](#)>
Cc: BLOCK, Michelle <[x@xx](#)>
Subject: RE: OIA - IR-01-23-34235

Hi Kushla

You are correct – it did not reach our team (Ministerial Services group in IRT) – it was still sitting under Waikato OIA Claim Team, unassigned.


Waikato OIA Claim Team ▾

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Open Tasks


(0) ▾ **Due Tomorrow (1)**


week

 **Finalise Response - IR-01-23-33060** ▾
OIA Request - District : 421078

▾ **Due Later (2)**

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 **Finalise Response - IR-01-23-32770** ▾
OIA Request - District : 420463

 **Finalise Response - IR-01-23-34235** ▾
OIA Request - District : 423456

Showing 3 of approximately 3 results

I can confirm I have picked it up, thank you.

Ngā mihi

Leo Kwon
 Senior Advisor | Ministerial Services
 Police National Headquarters
 Mobile: s9(2)(a)
 Email: x@xx

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From: DUNNING, Kushla <x@xx>
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Cc: BLOCK, Michelle <x@xx>
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To: [Ministerial Services](#)
Subject: RE: For final Senior Advisor review prior to returning to District: Joshua Rogers (FYI website) IR-01-23-34235 approved
Date: Thursday, 16 November 2023 5:08:00 PM
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Toby

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Thanks, LT

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Assistant Commissioner – Districts

Northland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, Eastern, Central



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Leo Kwon

Senior Advisor | Ministerial Services

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Mobile: [REDACTED]

Email: xxxxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx

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16 November 2023

Joshua Rogers
fyi-request-24537-733a1754@requests.fyi.org.nz

Kia Ora Joshua

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 26 October 2023 in which you sought information relating to theft ex shops in Hamilton.

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Following consultation with Waikato District Commander Superintendent Bruce Bird, I can advise that no correspondence or memorandums exist in relation to theft ex shop cases within Hamilton. Therefore, your request is refused pursuant to s18(e) of the OIA as the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

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

Ngā mihi

Sergeant Kushla Dunning
Waikato OIA and PA Requests
New Zealand Police

From: [Ministerial Services](#)
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Good morning team

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Kind regards,

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From: [Ministerial Services](#)
To: [x@xx](#)
Subject: RE: OIA file for Joshua Rogers (FYI website) IR-01-23-34235 ...
Date: Friday, 17 November 2023 1:15:00 PM

All good Kushla – I will upload this now
Kind regards, Michelle

From: x@xx <x@xx>

On Behalf Of

x@xx

Sent: Friday, 17 November 2023 1:12 PM

To: Ministerial Services <x@xx>

Subject: OIA file for Joshua Rogers (FYI website) IR-01-23-34235 ...

Hi Michelle,

Apologies, I will remember to close on my end thank you.

I have attached the release email to this.

Thanks for your help on this.

Kushla

-----"Ministerial Services" <xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xx>wrote: -----

To: "Waikato.OIA" <xxxxxxxx.xxx@xxxxxxxx.xxxx.x>

From: "Ministerial Services" <xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxx.xx>xx.xx

Date: 11/17/2023 12:58PM

Subject: OIA file for Joshua Rogers (FYI website) IR-01-23-34235 ...

Hi Kushla

Yes IRT is a confusing beast! The OIA file has bounced back to Ministerial Services queue, as you hit the “submit” not “close” button - so I’ll close it for you.

I see you’ve uploaded the letter of response to the “4. Release docs” folder, but not the release email – can you please upload both of these moving forward, because if the requestor makes a complaint about the response to the Ombudsman, we will need to provide the Ombudsman with the response and the release email, as evidence of the day/time it was sent, and to which email address.

Can you please forward me the release email to Joshua’s FYI email address, and I’ll upload it to the file for completeness, then will close it.

Many thanks, Michelle

Michelle Block

Ministerial Services – Acting Senior Advisor
NZ Police National Headquarters Wellington

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From: xxxxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx ~~<xxxxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>~~ **On Behalf**
Of xxxxxxx.xxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx

Sent: Friday, 17 November 2023 11:54 AM

To: Ministerial Services <xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xx>

Subject: Returning to District for dispatch: Joshua Rogers (FYI website) IR-01-23-34235 approved

Good morning,

Thanks for that, I have sent it off to Joshua Rogers.

I have "submitted" the file in IRT, I am not sure if that is correct or where it has ended up as I can no longer see it on my screens.

Thanks,

Kushla

-----"Ministerial Services" <xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xx> wrote: -----

To: "Waikato.OIA" <xxxxxxx.xxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>

From: "Ministerial Services" <xxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xx>

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Lisa MacKenzie | Advisor | Ministerial Services

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From: [SHANKS, Wayne](#)
To: [BIRD, Bruce](#)
Bcc: [SHANKS, Wayne](#)
Subject: Official Information Request - Theft ex shops Hamilton - Joshua ROGERS
Date: Monday, 20 November 2023 2:25:00 PM
Attachments: [Letter Reply Joshua Rogers.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)

Good Afternoon Sir,

Please find this e-mail as early notification that Waikato OIA have received further correspondence from a Mr. Joshua ROGERS.

This latest correspondence having been received by Ministerial Services on 17th November 2023, and forwarded onto Waikato OIA today.

My understanding is that Sergeant DUNNING recently had some liaison with you in relation to making an information release around theft ex shops in Hamilton (this was in relation to an OIA made by Mr. ROGERS).

I have read the response that was provided, and observe that we advised that there was no information available to be supplied (the sent letter response being attached to this e-mail for your reference).

Post this, it would appear that Mr. ROGERS has made a complaint with the Ombudsman, and has proposed 'further questions' around the response provided.

I have determined that Mr. ROGERS is regular within the OIA space (his requests and the outcomes are recorded via the New Zealand Herald fyi.org.nz site - [Joshua Rogers OIA information](#)), but as yet I have still not confirmed that he works as a Journalist/Reporter.

At this stage, Ministerial Services have forwarded this further correspondence from Mr. ROGERS onto Waikato OIA for our awareness and action if appropriate.

My intention here is to first provide you with awareness of the correspondence received, and then advance this matter as you see/direct as being appropriate.

For your information and consideration please.

Kind regards,

Wayne.

Wayne SHANKS
Senior Sergeant
Case Management Coordinator
Waikato Operations Group

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To: "Waikato.OIA" <xxxxxxx.xxx@xxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
From: "Ministerial Services" <xxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxx.xx>
Date: 11/20/2023 01:30PM
Cc: "DUNNING, Kushla" <xxxxxx.xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: Official Information Request - Theft ex shops Hamilton

Good afternoon team
We have received this follow up query relating to an OIA response that was recently dispatched.
Forwarding to you for your awareness and action if appropriate.
Kind regards,

Lisa MacKenzie | Advisor | Ministerial Services
Policy & Partnerships | PNHQ

-----Original Message-----

From: Joshua Rogers <fyi-request-24537-xxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxxxxx.xxx.xxx.xx>
Sent: Friday, 17 November 2023 3:11 PM
To: Ministerial Services
<xxxxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxx@xxxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Official Information Request - Theft ex shops Hamilton

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Dear New Zealand Police,

Thank you for your response.

However I have made a complaint to the Ombudsman as I firmly believe there would be emails relating to theft ex shop cases (or more commonly referred to as shoplifting).

I can guarantee if Bruce was to type "shoplifting", "Retail Crime", "Theft ex Shop" in his email search bar numerous emails would come up.

I would like all of those emails as outlined in section one "Any correspondence from Inspector Bruce Bird in relation to the investigation and resource management on theft ex shop cases."

Definition of correspondence from google:
"communication by exchanging letters, emails, or other messages."

Are you now saying Superintendent Bruce Bird has had zero communication with anyone relating to theft ex shop cases and the handling of them in his entire tenor as Superintendent of the Waikato District?

Simply "consulting" with Bruce Bird and him saying there are no memorandums or correspondence is hard to believe. Has he actually searched for any emails? Maybe some that he has forgotten about.

Also section 4 "Any correspondence or memorandum to the Hamilton file management centre in relation to theft ex shop cases." is not necessarily from Bruce Bird, it could be from anyone in management. Please review this answer.

Yours faithfully,

Joshua Rogers

-----Original Message-----

Good morning,

I refer to your request for information made under the Official Information Act 1982

Please see the attached letter in response.

Kind regards,

Kushla Dunning

Sergeant KDDW94

Waikato Information Requests Team

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From: [FAULKNER, Neil](#)
To: [SHANKS, Wayne](#)
Subject: Re: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235
Date: Friday, 8 December 2023 8:37:20 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image004.png](#)

All good I knew you would be all over it...

Regards
Neil

From: SHANKS, Wayne <xxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Friday, December 8, 2023 7:02:38 AM
To: FAULKNER, Neil <xxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Subject: RE: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235

Good Morning Sir,

Yes, this matter was responded to.

The response that was made to Mr. ROGERS (by Sgt DUNNING) is attached for your reference (called Letter Reply Joshua Rogers).

This letter did prompt a further e-mail being received, and a subsequent reply being made (the e-mail chain being attached for your reference).

DC BIRD was advised/consulted post the response/reply being received, and that was the guiding direction around the subsequent message sent on the 23rd November 2023.

Should you have further questions relative to this matter, feel free to let me know.

Kind regards,

Wayne.

Wayne SHANKS
Senior Sergeant
Case Management Coordinator
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From: FAULKNER, Neil <xxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Thursday, 7 December 2023 4:03 PM
To: SHANKS, Wayne <xxxxx.xxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>

Subject: FW: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235

Was this responded too?

From: BIRD, Bruce <xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Friday, 27 October 2023 11:00 AM
To: JONES, Hywel <xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>; SASSO, Tony <xxxx.xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>; FAULKNER, Neil <xxxx.xxxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Subject: FW: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235

Hi All

There is no correspondence that I can recall

Is there anything from DTAC – Neil anything for ISU other than were we place our investigations

But I can recall any documentation as they relate to this

From: DUNNING, Kushla <xxxxxx.xxxxxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Sent: Thursday, 26 October 2023 10:23 PM
To: BIRD, Bruce <xxxxx.xxxx@xxxxxx.xxxx.xx>
Subject: Official Information Request - IR-01-23-34235

Good evening Sir,

I have just received the above request, I am about to go on days off so thought I would email you in relation to it before I go.

The requester Joshua Rogers has requested the following:

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This request has come via ministerial services and they have added the following:

[***note to District - request likely relates to the Waikato Times news article:

<https://www.waikatotimes.co.nz/a/nz-news/350037276/crime-times-waikatos-top-cop-admits-youth-crime-explosion>]

Would you be able to assist with answering these questions?

I am back on Monday 30 October.

Thank you,

Kushla Dunning
Sergeant KDDW94

Waikato OIA & Privacy Requests
Waikato Operations Group

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