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Tēnā koe Percy

***Request for information***

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request of 3 September 2024. You requested:

*Could you please provide a copy of any and all correspondence the Police received from Rosemary Riddell in relation to the death of Polly Riddell and the charges against Carl Longshaw.*

The correspondence between Rosemary Riddell and Police is of a highly personal nature, and has thus been withheld by Police in accordance with the following:

- **Section 9(2)(a)** of the Official Information Act 1982, as the withholding of the information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

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

Please note that as part of its commitment to openness and transparency, Police proactively releases some information and documents that may be of interest to the public. An anonymised version of this response may be publicly released on the New Zealand Police website.

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

**Kind regards,**

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