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Dear Hamish

I acknowledge your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) requests of 28 November 2024 in which you ask:

- 1. Could you please provide me locations of all ANPR cameras which are currently in the South Island of New Zealand. If you could sort this via districts that would be very helpful.*
- 2. Could you please provide me locations of all ANPR cameras which are currently in the North Island of New Zealand. If you could sort this via districts that would be very helpful. Please provide the address and GPS coordinates.*
- 3. Could you please provide me with all partners in the South Island who you share information with via the Auror, VGrid and SaferCities software. EG: If you could sort this via districts that would be very helpful. Please provide the address and GPS coordinates.*

Your three separate requests have been consolidated into one OIA and are all addressed with this response.

Police has access to several platforms that provide ANPR information for the detection, prevention and investigation of crime or harm. The cameras themselves are owned, operated, and maintained by retailers, public organisations and councils. Police does not maintain a current list of the cameras or their locations. As the information does not exist, this part of your request is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA.

Police owns a small number of its own ANPR cameras, some of which are on police vehicles distributed across the 12 policing districts, and up to two dozen are in stationary and fixed locations. The locations of these cameras are withheld pursuant to section 6(c) of the OIA as the disclosure of this information would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law.

With respect to the sharing of information by Police via Auror and SaferCities (noting that vGrid is the platform used by SaferCities), no information is provided to any of the third parties involved and they are not considered 'partners' in this context. Any agreement or contract for supply of information or services is between the individual organisation and Auror or SaferCities. Police is not a party to these agreements and does not have access to the relevant contracts. As this information does not exist within Police, this part of your request is refused under section 18(e) of the OIA.

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.

Yours sincerely



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