



15 February 2013

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Joshua Grainger
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Dear Mr Grainger,

Your request for information dated 18 January 2013 refers.

You have requested *a list of organisations that Police vetting is available to on the basis of approval for that service*. The list of organisations is attached.

You have requested information about *how often the Police vetting service is used*. The information requested is refused under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 as it is publicly available in the Annual Reports on www.police.govt.nz.

You have requested *statistics about when the Police refuse to vet someone due to privacy concerns*. Your request is refused pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information does not exist or cannot be found. Once an organisation is approved to access the Police vetting service and obtained the consent of the person to be Police vetted then Police do not refuse to carry out a vet.

You have requested *a copy of the memorandum of understanding between Police and organisations approved to receive the Police vetting service*. The information requested is refused under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 as it is publicly available on www.police.govt.nz/service/vetting.

You have requested *any correspondence that the Police have had with the Office of the Privacy Commissioner regarding Police vetting, other than an investigation under the Privacy Act*. Your request is refused pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information does not exist or cannot be found. Our internal records indicate that the Privacy Commissioner was consulted as part of the approval process for the Police vetting service.

You have requested *a copy of any privacy impact statement that has been created regarding the practice of Police vetting*. Your request is refused pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information does not exist or cannot be found. Privacy Impact Assessments did not exist at the time the Police vetting service was established.

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You have requested a copy of any criteria, guidelines, manuals or other documents that the Police use in deciding whether to red stamp a vetting request. The information requested is refused under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 as it is publicly available on www.police.govt.nz/service/vetting.

You have requested whether the Police have found that they have wrongfully released any information in response to a vetting request, and if so, any statistics about how often this occurs. No statistical information responding to this part of your query is held. Your request is therefore refused pursuant to section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information does not exist or cannot be found.

You have requested whether the Police have withdrawn the authorisation for an organisation to request Police vetting due to an inappropriate handling of private information, and if so, any statistics about this. No organisations have had approval to access the Police vetting service withdrawn due to inappropriate handling of private information.

Yours sincerely



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