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Dear Mr Swarbrick

Thank you for your email of 14 May 2018 requesting the following information about Housing New Zealand properties in the area known as Hayes Paddock, Hamilton East. Answers to your questions are provided below.

**1. The total number of properties in Hayes Paddock under HNZ control (whether owned or leased from private landowners).**

You have clarified that Hayes Paddock can be defined as the residential area west of MacFarlane Street, Hamilton East, Hamilton and east of the Waikato River.

Housing New Zealand has 49 properties in this area. Forty properties are owned and managed by Housing New Zealand, and six are leased from private owners. A further three properties are owned by Housing New Zealand but are leased out to Community Housing Providers.

**2. A list of addresses of all those properties including whether each property is owned or leased.**

To protect the privacy of our tenants, Housing New Zealand does not provide our specific property addresses. Therefore, your request is refused under section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982: "to protect the privacy of natural persons".

**3. Given the age and condition of the properties in Hayes Paddock, whether HNZ has plans to liquidate some or all of the HNZ-owned stock within the area.**

The properties are needed to meet housing demand in the area and all are tenanted. Housing New Zealand has no plans to redevelop or sell any of these properties at this time.

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.

Yours sincerely



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