

5 December 2012

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Dear Chloe

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 13 November 2012 to the Associate Minister of Transport, Hon Simon Bridges. You requested, under the Official Information Act 1982, copies of the Fatal Crash Reports for the 25 fatal accidents involving pedestrians in Auckland in the last three years.

As the Associate Minister's office advised you on 22 November 2012, your request was transferred to the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) for a reply. On that same date you confirmed with Andy Knackstedt, National Media Manager, that copies of the more detailed Traffic Crash Reports for each of the fatal pedestrian crashes would meet your request.

Copies of the Traffic Crash Reports are attached as follows:

- Attachment A: reports for crashes that occurred in 2009
- Attachment B: reports for crashes that occurred in 2010
- Attachment C: reports for crashes that occurred in 2011
- Attachment D: reports for crashes that occurred in 2012

One report for a hit and run incident that occurred in 2010 is missing. The New Zealand Police Serious Crash Unit did not complete a report for this incident. It was handled by their Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB) so you would need to contact them for more information.

Certain information has been withheld from the attachments under section 9(2)(a) of the Official Information Act 1982. This section allows for the withholding of information to protect the privacy of natural persons. The information being withheld relates to vehicle registration numbers, and drivers' and victims' names and other details.

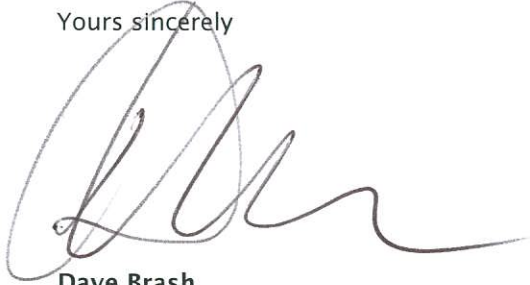
With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act 1982, you have the right to apply to an Ombudsman for an investigation and review of the decision to withhold this information. The address is:

Office of the Ombudsmen
PO Box 10152
Wellington

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZTA, please contact Andy Knackstedt by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (04) 894 6285.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dave Brash', with a large, stylized initial 'D'.

Dave Brash
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For Chief Executive