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Dear Aaron

Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 28 February 2013 to Nicola Boyes requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982. You have requested the following information:

1. How much did the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) pay for properties along the designated route of the Tamahere-Cambridge section of the Waikato Expressway?
2. Could you please provide me with a list of properties the agency has purchased and a break-down of what they paid for each property (land and buildings)?
3. How much was NZTA's total purchasing budget for properties along the designated route of the Tamahere-Cambridge section? Does this differ from the agency's purchasing spend? If yes, by how much?

My response to each of your questions follows.

1. The NZ Transport Agency has paid \$28,900,000 for properties along the designated route for the Tamahere-Cambridge section to date.
2. The NZTA is refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 as the information about concluded property sales is or will soon be available via QV at www.qv.co.nz.

The NZ Transport Agency has made both full and partial property purchases for the Tamahere-Cambridge section of the expressway.

3. The total purchasing budget for properties on the Tamahere-Cambridge section of the expressway is \$50,300,000.

The total spent to date has been \$28,900,000. There is a further \$21,400,000 available to complete property purchases on the section.

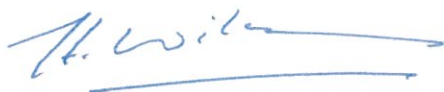
Any surplus property becomes part of Crown Land and will be dealt with as appropriate under Public Works Act 1981. These surplus properties are forecast at \$15,300,000.

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 refuse part of your request. The address is:

Office of the Ombudsmen
PO Box 10152
Wellington

If you wish to discuss this reply with the NZTA, please contact Nicola Boyes, by email to Nicola.Boyes@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (07) 958 7220.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "H. Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

Harry Wilson
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