



17 July 2025

Tēnā koe

### **Official Information Act request**

Thank you for your emails of 18 and 26 June 2025, requesting correspondence regarding the rescinding of funding to the Te Waimana Kaaku Tribal Executive for housing.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision on each part of your request set out separately below.

1. *Copies of letters and/or e-mails from Te Uru Taumatua to the Ministry of Social Development referring to the rescinding of the funding of the Te Waimana Kaaku Tribal Executive for the purposes of housing*

The Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) responded to a similar request from you on 6 March 2025. That request was refused under section 18(g) of the Act, as the Ministry did not hold any information in scope for this request.

I confirm this remains the case.

2. *Copies of all 2022 and 2023 e-mails and correspondence from and to Kirsti Luke, Chief Executive of Te Uru Taumatua, that mention or refer to Waimana Housing, and involving the following staff members:*
  - a. *Paula Rawiri and Rangita Wilson, together with Malo Ahyou Governance Maori Housing, all of/at Te Puni Kokiri*
  - b. *Kararaina Cribb, Deputy Chief Executive of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, and Debbie Power, Chief Executive of the Ministry of Social Development*

I have checked with the Ministry's Office of Chief Executive, who confirmed that they have been unable to find any correspondence between Kirsti Luke and Debbie Power within the timeframe and scope of this request.

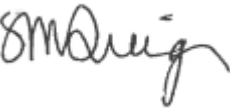
Your two requests for this information are refused under section 18(e) of the Act as the requested documents do not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate them, cannot be found.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact [OIA\\_Requests@msd.govt.nz](mailto:OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz).

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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