

Our Ref DOIA 24-136

Your Ref OIA request - use of te reo Māori

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**Response to your official information request**

Thank you for your official information request received on 23 November 2023 for

*"all information on:*

- 1. Any changes to policy on the use of te reo Māori in either internal or external communications since October 13 2023*
- 2. Any internal communications (including emails, texts, messages and memos) relating to the use of te reo Māori since October 13 2023*
- 3. Any advice received or prepared on the use of te reo Māori since October 13 2023"*

Part 1 and 3 of your request are refused under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act as:

- There have been no changes to policy on the use of te reo Māori in either internal or external communications since October 13 2023.
- No advice has been received or prepared on the use of te reo Māori since October 13 2023.

In relation to Part 2 of your request, we include all we have within scope, which is some informal discussion between staff.

Attached, is a copy of two email chains and five excerpts from Teams Chat that we have identified as being within the scope of your request, which is released in full.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [ministerialsupport@linz.govt](mailto:ministerialsupport@linz.govt)

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.

Please note, this response letter outlining our decision on your request, **with your personal details withheld**, and any attached documentation will be published on the Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand website. This is likely to be published by 31 January 2024

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Hawke', written in a cursive style.

Richard Hawke  
Director, Office of the Chief Executive

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