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Dear 

Response to your official information request

Thank you for your official information request received on 14 March 2023 for "all information that has been a part of arrangements between the Crown and Te Rau Arena, Allan".

Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand does not have an arrangement in place with Te Rau Arena Allan.

However, an arrangement exists between the Crown and Te Whiu Hapu, who Te Rau Arena Allan has been a representative of.

Attached for your information is a copy of the signed lease between His Majesty the King acting by and through the Chief Executive of Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand (Landlord) and Te Whiu Hapu Incorporated (Tenant).

Information relating to the agreed annual rental has been withheld under Section 9(2)(b)(ii) and Section 9(2)(i) of the Official Information Act as release would unreasonably prejudice to Te Whiu Hapu Incorporated's commercial position and the commercial position of Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand.

Please also note this lease includes a 6-month Treaty settlement break clause, meaning the lease can be ended early if the property is returned to Māori ownership through a Treaty settlement. This is only a lease arrangement and does not settle any historical Treaty claims. Any redress over the site will be negotiated with a mandated entity, or mandated entities, as part of a future Treaty settlement.

Once you have had the opportunity to review the attached documentation you are welcome to request any other documentation.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Kate Whittle – kwhittle@linz.govt.nz or 04 831 1657.

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 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's website. This is likely to be published by 13 April 2023

Yours sincerely



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Head of Crown Property

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