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Tēnā koe ^{s 9(2)(a)}

Thank you for your email of 28 November 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

whether Lantana is on a list/register for emergency, transitional or recovery accommodation ie 'Auckland Emergency Housing Centralised Register' whether Lantana is an accommodation provider of social housing where any lodging costs are paid for in whole or in part by MSD details of any licences or permits that Lantana has in relation to accommodation including terms/expiry, maximum occupancy, nature of residents (ie corrections) Please also provide details of any other emergency, transitional or recovery accommodation in Parnell, Auckland that has any association with MSD. whether Lantana Lodge is a 'Transitional Housing provider' Did Lantana Lodge receice any 'Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants' (EH SNG) between 2021 until end of financial year 2023/2024 (or until 25/11/24), and if so (a) how much and (b) to how many people for each financial year.

Your request was partially transferred from Ministry of Social Development (MSD) to Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry) as your request relates to Transitional Housing. You will hear further from MSD regarding the emergency housing aspect of your request.

Transitional Housing provides temporary accommodation for individuals and whānau who don't have anywhere to live and urgently need a place to stay. It also offers tailored support to help these individuals and whānau into longer-term housing. There is more information available about Transitional Housing on our website at: www.hud.govt.nz/our-work/transitional-housing.

Lantana Lodge, 60 St Georges Bay Road, Parnell, Auckland is not being used as Transitional Housing.

You also asked for a list of any other Transitional Housing accommodation in Parnell. The Ministry does not release information on specific locations of Transitional Housing as this can impact the privacy of the households residing in these places. This part of your request is refused under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

In terms of section 9(1) of the Act, I am satisfied that, in the circumstances, the decision to withhold information under section 9 of the Act is not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable to make the information available in the public interest.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of my response by the Ombudsman, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on the Ombudsman's website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

As part of our ongoing commitment to openness and transparency, the Ministry proactively releases information and documents that may be of interest to the public. As such, this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on our website.

Nāku noa, nā

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