



31 July 2025

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Tēnā koe s 9(2)(a)

On 20 July 2025 Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry) received your request for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Under the Official Information Act 1982, I formally request the following information:

A complete list of all decontamination and methamphetamine cleaning contractors who have received work under -funded partnerships with Vision West Community Trust between January 2020 and July 2025 (including Auckland and Christchurch).

A breakdown by year of how many properties each contractor was assigned.

Any internal criteria or documented rationale used to determine or approve contractor allocation or removal.

This information is requested to assess the consistency, fairness, and transparency of contractor allocation practices under publicly funded housing partnerships.

It is up to each Community Housing Provider, including VisionWest, to determine if a property needs to be tested for the presence of methamphetamine and which companies they use. The Ministry is not involved in which providers are chosen (or not) to perform the test and decontamination, if required.

Your request is refused under section 18(g)(i) that the information is not held by the Ministry and we have no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or Minister of the Crown.

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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