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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry) on 8 October 2020, for:

the cost of administration of the [KiwiBuild] scheme per year and how many houses had been constructed up to the end of September 2020?

The 2019/20 appropriation for Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities' KiwiBuild unit is \$13.7 million. This appropriation includes preparatory work for Large Scale Projects, and Innovations and Partnership, which will deliver or support the delivery of KiwiBuild houses (eg with modern building technologies) in the near future. During the 2019/20 financial year, 688 KiwiBuild homes were underwritten in developments enabling 1,507 homes to eventually built. (688 KiwiBuild and 819 market home). The costs attributed to them is \$9.6 million in the 2019/20 financial year. This includes:

- working with the developer on marketing strategy to target eligible buyers
- assessing buyers through pre-qualification, registration and ballot processes and supporting eligible buyers through to settlement
- risk and compliance, data management, and stakeholder engagement and communications
- policy and ministerial support functions (eg responding to requests made under the Act), sales support, legal and specialist support
- contract management, including legal support, delivered through the Buying off the Plan team
- overhead allocations from the Ministry and Kāinga Ora.

Every month the Ministry publishes the Government Housing Dashboard. This dashboard is a single place to track progress of key parts of the Government's housing programme, and includes the number of KiwiBuild, community housing, state housing and market homes built and under construction. The dashboard for September 2020 has been published online here: www.hud.govt.nz/news-and-resources/statistics-and-research/government-build-programme-housing-dashboard/. Therefore, this part of your request is refused under section 18(d) as the information is publicly available.

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 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.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joanna Gordon', with a stylized, cursive script.

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