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Tēnā koe s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email of 07 June 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

who the project partners are "led by the three Tāmaki Makaurau rūpū of Marutūāhu, Ngāti Whātua and Waiohua-Tāmaki and their project partners." and how Marutūāhu, Ngāti Whātua and Waiohua-Tāmaki are financially involved

Also is this a public/private consortium and built for profit?

“Project partners” refers to any parties who join with the Rōpū and/or their component iwi, to form development entities to undertake the project. The identity of some project partners have been included in resource consent applications that have been lodged through the fast-track process. You can find these applications at www.epa.govt.nz/fast-track-consenting/fast-track-projects/. For this reason, I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the Act, on the grounds that the information is publicly available.

I am withholding information about the identities of future project partners under section 9(2)(j) of the Act, to enable a Minister of the Crown or any public service agency or organisation holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations.

Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (the Ministry) does not hold information on the terms under which any Rōpū or iwi parties have agreed their financial arrangements. For this reason, I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(g)(i), on the grounds that that the information requested is not held by the Ministry and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department.

This project is not a public/private consortium. The development opportunity at the Carrington Site is commercial redress under the Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makarua Collective Redress Deed of 2012 and its associated Act of 2014, therefore it must be provided on commercial terms.

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.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Fiona Coughlan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Fiona Coughlan
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Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga – Ministry of Housing and Urban Development