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REF: OIA-13772

Dear [REDACTED]

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 4 October 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). I will respond to each part of your request in turn as follows:

Please provide all correspondence involving the awarding of Streets for people funding (Grey Street project in Gisborne) including but not limited to, interaction with Tairāwhiti Adventure Trust and Gisborne District Council.

We identified 10 emails, two letters and 13 documents that are in the scope of your request.

The Streets for People Expression of Interest (EOI) process was launched December 2021. The programme was open to all local roading authorities with walking and cycling improvements already included in their current Regional Land Transport Plans (RLTPs). Thirty councils, including Gisborne District Council (GDC), expressed their interest in participating in the programme. Expressions of Interest were moderated by an internal Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency panel and 15 councils were successful with receiving pre-implementation funding.

While the Tairāwhiti Adventure Trust (TAT) was part of the EOI process alongside GDC, and have been included in the programme, our funding agreement for the Grey Street project is solely with GDC (as per Attachments 9-11). GDC is responsible for the delivery of the Grey Street project and is providing 10 percent of the funds for the project alongside 90 percent from Waka Kotahi. GDC is also responsible for their arrangement with TAT. For further information about the particulars of this arrangement, we suggest that you contact GDC.

The documents that fall within the scope of your request are enclosed and outlined in the Document Schedule appended to this letter.

Certain information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons. Other information has been withheld under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the Act maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between Waka Kotahi staff in the course of their duty.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available. As noted in our acknowledgement email of 4 October 2023 the information requested contains names of Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency staff. As you have advised that the inclusion of names is not required, we have deemed these to be out of scope of your request.

Please also include the same for the Minister of Transport and Associate ministers of Transport.

While information about the Grey Street project is contained in a briefing sent to the Minister of Transport, we have not included this document as the information is duplicated in Attachment 6.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold part of this information. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Andy Knackstedt, Senior Media Manager, by email to andrew.knackstedt@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



Deb Hume

National Manager, Multimodal Integration

OIA-13772 Document Schedule

Reference	Document name	Date	Information being withheld
1.	Hei Huarahi Oranga-Streets for People - Gisborne Scope... <i>(email)</i>	8 August 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
2.	Streets for People 2021-24 <i>(document attached to Attachment 1)</i>		External persons' names and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
3.	FW Streets for People Funding Agreement... <i>(email)</i>	30 August 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
4.	SIGNED August 2022 – Streets for People Funding Agreement Projects <i>(document attached to Attachment 3, 14 pages)</i>	23 August 2022	External person's name and details, and Waka Kotahi staff phone numbers, to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
5.	220906 Event Briefing_Streets for People <i>(extract from document)</i>	6 September 2022	Released in full.
6.	RE SfP update to APMs <i>(email)</i>	15 September 2022	Waka Kotahi staff phone numbers to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
7.	SfP_APMs_20220915 <i>(extracts from PowerPoint slides attached to Attachment 6)</i>	15 September 2022	External persons' faces to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
8.	RE Streets for People programme – paragraphs... <i>(email)</i>	8 August 2022	External persons' names and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
9.	SfP Funding Agreement <i>(email)</i>	21 April 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
10.	Streets for People - Funding the Foundations <i>(document, 10 pages)</i>	21 April 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
11.	Streets for People 2021_2024 <i>(document attached to Attachment 9, 6 pages)</i>	29 March 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
12.	FW Streets for People budgets <i>(email)</i>	4 April 2022	External persons' names and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.

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13.	2022_02_21_SGT_WakaKotahi_LetterSupport (<i>letter</i>)	21 February 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
14.	Streets for People Letter of Support DW 2021.01.28 (<i>letter</i>)	28 January 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
15.	Tairāwhiti v2 streets-for-people-2021-2024-expression-of-interest... (<i>document, 20 pages</i>)		External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
16.	RE Tairāwhiti Streets for People application and support letters (<i>email</i>)	22 February 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
17.	FW Update on your Streets for People application (<i>email</i>)	30 March 2022	External person's name and details to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
18.	Gisborn [sic] District Council – Proposal overview meeting (<i>document</i>)		Released in full.
19.	Nelson, Whanganui, Gisborne and Auckland Streets for People... (<i>email</i>)	22 July 2022	Waka Kotahi staff phone numbers to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
20.	Gisborne Streets for People – Council reflection tool – Org Level May 2022 (<i>document attached to Attachment 21</i>)	May 2022	External persons' names to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
21.	RE Streets for People Funding (<i>email</i>)	23 August 2022	External person's name and Waka Kotahi staff phone numbers to protect their privacy, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
NFR	Streets for People 2021_24 Proposal (<i>Streets for People Proposal Evaluation Form – Gisborne</i>)	27 July 2022	Withheld in full to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs via free and frank expression of opinions by or between Waka Kotahi staff, as per s.9(2)(g)(i) of the Act.
NFR	EOI Moderation Scoring (<i>spreadsheet of evaluation of expressions of interest</i>)		Withheld in full to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs via free and frank expression of opinions by or between Waka Kotahi staff, as per s.9(2)(g)(i) of the Act.

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NFR	2022_02_21_HFEC_WakaKotahi_LetterSupport <i>(letter of support for Tairawhiti Streets for People application)</i>	21 February 2022	Withheld in full to protect the privacy of external persons, as per s.9(2)(a) of the Act.
NFR	Gisborne capability situational leadership <i>(PowerPoint slides attached to Attachment 19)</i>		Withheld in full to maintain the effect conduct of affairs via free and frank expressions of opinions, as per s.9(2)(g)(i) of the Act.

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