



CABINET OFFICE

17 September 2025



Ref: OIA-2025/26-0189

Tēnā koe 

Official Information Act request:  Land warrants

Thank you for your Official Information Act (the Act) request received on 15 September 2025. You requested:

Would you please email me the ministerial warrants appointing the following MPs as Minister for Land Information as a matter of urgency:

1. The warrant issued to Maurice Donald Williamson in 2009
2. The warrant issued to Michael Allan Woodhouse in 2014
3. The warrant issued to Louise Claire Upston in 2014
4. The warrant issued to Mark Patrick Mitchell in 2016
5. The warrant issued to Eugenie Meryl Sage in 2017
6. The warrant issued to Damien Peter O'Connor in 2020
7. The warrant issued to Christopher Aiden Penk in 2023

Information being released

I note you requested an urgent response. I have decided to provide a partial response at this time so you receive the information currently available before a response can be given to the remaining parts of your request. Please find attached the items relating to items 5 to 7 of your request.

The Cabinet Office is progressing the remaining parts of your request and will respond to you within the timeframe set by the Act.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

This response will be published on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Nāku noa, nā



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**ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God
Queen of New Zealand and Her Other Realms and
Territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of
the Faith**

To Our Trusty and Well-beloved

The Honourable Eugenie Meryl Sage

GREETING!

We, having taken into Our Royal Consideration your Loyalty, Integrity, and Ability, are pleased to appoint and **DO HEREBY** appoint you, **Eugenie Meryl Sage**, to be Our

Minister for Land Information

of New Zealand: **TO HAVE**, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said Office for and during Our Pleasure and Will; together with all and singular the Rights, Profits, Privileges, and Advantages thereunto belonging or appertaining, in the most full and ample manner: Provided always that you, the said **Eugenie Meryl Sage** during such time as you shall hold the said Office, shall reside in New Zealand, and execute the said Office of **Minister for Land Information** in person, except only in the case of sickness or other incapacity, and leave of absence first duly granted.

GIVEN, in Our name and on Our behalf

BY Our Trusty and Well-beloved The Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy, Chancellor and Principal Dame Grand Companion of Our New Zealand Order of Merit, Principal Companion of Our Service Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Realm of New Zealand.

AND issued under the Seal of New Zealand this twenty-sixth day of October in the year of Our Lord two thousand and seventeen in the sixty-sixth year of Our Reign.


Governor-General

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God Queen of New Zealand and Her Other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To Our Trusty and Well-beloved
The Honourable Damien Peter O'Connor

GREETING !

We, having taken into Our Royal Consideration your Loyalty, Integrity, and Ability, are pleased to appoint and **DO HEREBY** appoint you, **Damien Peter O'Connor**, to be Our

Minister for Land Information

of New Zealand: **TO HAVE**, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said Office for and during Our Pleasure and Will; together with all and singular the Rights, Profits, Privileges, and Advantages thereunto belonging or appertaining, in the most full and ample manner: Provided always that you, the said **Damien Peter O'Connor** during such time as you shall hold the said Office, shall reside in New Zealand, and execute the said Office of **Minister for Land Information** in person, except only in the case of sickness or other incapacity, and leave of absence first duly granted.

GIVEN, in Our name and on Our behalf

BY Our Trusty and Well-beloved The Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy, Chancellor and Principal Dame Grand Companion of Our New Zealand Order of Merit, Principal Companion of Our Service Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Realm of New Zealand.

AND issued under the Seal of New Zealand this sixth day of November in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty in the sixty-ninth year of Our Reign.

IRIHĀPETI TE TUARUA, nā te huatau o te Atua, te Kuīni o Aotearoa me ērā atu o ōna whaitua, rohe hoki, te Upoko o te Kāhui Whenua, te Kaiwawao o te Whakapono

Ki tō mātau
The Honourable Damien Peter O'Connor
Pono, e Kaha-arohanuitia ana

NGĀ MIHI !

Ko mātau, kua whaiwhakaaro ā-Ariki nei ki tō āhua Piripono, Ngākaupono, Kaha hoki, e harikoa ana ki te tohu, ā, **HEI KONEI** tohu i a koe, **Damien Peter O'Connor**, hei

Minister for Land Information mō mātau

o Aotearoa: **KI TE MAU**, ki te pupuri, ki te whakamahi i te Tari e kīia nei, kia eke ki tō mātau Pārekareka, Kaha hoki; tuia ki Ngā Tika, Ngā Hua, Ngā Painga me Ngā Patanga e puritia ana, e hāngaitia ana, i runga i te āhua whānui, whai hua hoki: i ngā wā katoa kia tutuki i a koe, te **Damien Peter O'Connor** i te wā ka noho koe ki te Tari, ka noho ki Aotearoa, ā, ka ea ā-tinana nei i Te Tari o **Minister for Land Information**, hāunga ngā wā e māuiui ana, i ngā wā ka whakaaetia kia ngaro atu.

E WHAKAMANAHIA ANA i runga i tō Mātau ingoa, me tō Mātau mana

E te Hōnore Kahurangi Pono, e Kaha-Arohanuitia ana, arā a Kahurangi Patsy Reddy, te Tumuaki o Te Tohu Kairangi Matua o Aotearoa, o Te Tohu Hapori, te Kāwana-Tianara, me te Toihau-Matua ki roto, ki runga hoki i tēnei whenua o tātau, o Aotearoa.

Ā, e whakapuakina ana i raro i te Hīri o Aotearoa, i te rā tuaono o Nōema i te tau rua mano, rua tekau, arā te tau ono tekau mā iwa o tō mātau Kuīnitanga.



Governor-General | Kāwana-Tianara

KING CHARLES THE THIRD, by the Grace of God King of New Zealand and His Other Realms and Territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith

To Our Trusty and Well-beloved
The Honourable Christopher Aidan Penk

GREETING !

We, having taken into Our Royal Consideration your Loyalty, Integrity, and Ability, are pleased to appoint and **DO HEREBY** appoint you, **Christopher Aidan Penk**, to be Our

Minister for Land Information

of New Zealand: **TO HAVE**, hold, exercise, and enjoy the said Office for and during Our Pleasure and Will; together with all and singular the Rights, Profits, Privileges, and Advantages thereunto belonging or appertaining, in the most full and ample manner: Provided always that you, the said **Christopher Aidan Penk** during such time as you shall hold the said Office, shall reside in New Zealand, and execute the said Office of **Minister for Land Information** in person, except only in the case of sickness or other incapacity, and leave of absence first duly granted.

GIVEN, in Our name and on Our behalf

BY Our Trusty and Well-beloved The Right Honourable Dame Cindy Kiro, Chancellor and Principal Dame Grand Companion of Our New Zealand Order of Merit, Principal Companion of Our Service Order, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over Our Realm of New Zealand.

AND issued under the Seal of New Zealand this twenty-seventh day of November in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in the second year of Our Reign.

TIĀRE TE TUATORU, nā te huatau o te Atua, te Kīngi o Aotearoa me ērā atu o ōna whaitua, rohe hoki, te Upoko o te Kāhui Whenua, te Kaiwawao o te Whakapono

Ki tō mātau
The Honourable Christopher Aidan Penk
Pono, e Kaha-arohanuitia ana

NGĀ MIHI !

Ko mātau, kua whaiwhakaaro ā-Ariki nei ki tō āhua Piripono, Ngākaupono, Kaha hoki, e harikoa ana ki te tohu, ā, **HEI KONEI** tohu i a koe, **Christopher Aidan Penk**, hei

Minister for Land Information mō mātau

O Aotearoa: **KI TE MAU**, ki te pupuri, ki te whakamahi i te Tari e kīia nei, kia eke ki tō mātau Pārekareka, Kaha hoki; tuia ki Ngā Tika, Ngā Hua, Ngā Painga me Ngā Patanga e puritīa ana, e hāngaitia ana, i runga i te āhua whānui, whai hua hoki: i ngā wā katoa kia tutuki i a koe, te **Christopher Aidan Penk** i te wā ka noho koe ki te Tari, ka noho ki Aotearoa, ā, ka ea ā-tinana nei i Te Tari o **Minister for Land Information**, hāunga ngā wā e māuiui ana, i ngā wā ka whakaetia kia ngaro atu.

E WHAKAMANAHIA ANA i runga i tō Mātau ingoa, me tō Mātau mana

E te Hōnore Kahurangi Pono, e Kaha-Arohanuitia ana, arā a Kahurangi Cindy Kiro, te Tumuaki o Te Tohu Kairangi Matua o Aotearoa, o Te Tohu Hapori, te Kāwana-Tianara, me te Toihau-Matua ki roto, ki runga hoki i tēnei whenua o tātau, o Aotearoa.

Ā, e whakapuakina ana i raro i te Hīri o Aotearoa, i te rā rua tekau mā whitu o Nōema i te tau rua mano, rua tekau mā toru, arā te tau tuarua o tō Mātau Kīngitanga.

