



2 February 2026

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Official Information Act request relating to documents from 1992-1994 on specified topics

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, which was received by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 16 December 2025. You requested:

All documents held by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet from 1992–1994 that refer to:

- *Matakana Island, and/or*
- *Blakely Pacific (or associated entities), and/or*
- *any Ministerial consent or approval relating to large-scale land acquisition in connection with Tauranga Māori.*

This includes, but is not limited to:

- *Cabinet papers or Cabinet Committee papers,*
- *minutes, cover sheets, and briefing notes,*
- *aide-memoires or submissions prepared for Ministers,*
- *and drafts or documents not ultimately submitted to Cabinet.*

Please provide documents in their original form. If any information is withheld, please specify the statutory ground relied upon and release the remainder.

I wrote to you on 20 January 2026 informing you that Cabinet material relating to your request has been identified and transferred in part to the Ministry of Justice. They will respond to you directly with any information they may hold.

Having conducted further searches of the relevant Information Management Systems, I believe that no other information you have requested is held by the DPMC. As I do not have grounds to believe the requested information is held by, or to be more closely connected to, another department, I am refusing the remaining parts of your request under s18(g) of 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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alan Cassidy".

Alan Cassidy
Deputy Chief Executive, Corporate