



12 March 2026

Ref: OIA-2025/26-0510

Tēnā koe

### Official Information Act request for documents held concerning Marsden Point and related cross-agency coordination from 1 January 2023 onwards

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 17 February 2026. You requested:

*“...records held by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) since 1 January 2023 concerning Marsden Point and related cross-agency coordination.*

*I request copies of documents held by DPMC (including emails, briefings, meeting notes, aide-mémoire, or internal memoranda) that:*

1. *Refer to Marsden Point in the context of:*
  - a. *energy security,*
  - b. *fuel systems,*
  - c. *industrial development,*
  - d. *port infrastructure, or*
  - e. *waste or resource recovery.*
2. *Record or refer to inter-agency coordination concerning Marsden Point, including identification of:*
  - a. *participating agencies, and*
  - b. *the purpose of that coordination.*
3. *Identify whether DPMC has:*
  - a. *been designated as lead or coordinating agency in relation to cross-portfolio matters involving Marsden Point; or*
  - b. *provided advice to Ministers concerning whole-of-government oversight of Marsden Point.*

*If helpful to manage scope, I am content to receive:*

- *a schedule of relevant documents in the first instance; and/or*
- *copies of final briefings and summary records before underlying email traffic.”*

After consulting you about your request, on 6 March, we notified you of our decision to transfer your request to the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment (MBIE). The present response covers any additional material held by DPMC.

#### Refinement

On 3 March, you refined your request to DPMC to material held by us in which Marsden Point is “substantively considered”. Accordingly, we have interpreted Part 1 of your request as seeking additional documents held by DPMC that primarily focus on Marsden Point.

A search of our electronic databases did not identify any relevant documents. Therefore, this part of your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Act, as the requested information does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

### **Parts 2 and 3**

We have interpreted Parts 2 and 3 of your request to be seeking information identifying DPMC as the lead agency for work related to Marsden Point. As we advised you when seeking clarification of your request, MBIE is the lead agency for most work related to Marsden Point, while DPMC's involvement is primarily in the context of critical infrastructure, some of which has included references to Marsden Point. Given this context, Parts 2 and 3 of your request are also refused under section 18(e) of the Act – the information does not exist, or despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

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 'J. Clarke-Watson', is positioned above the typed name.

Jeremy Clarke-Watson  
**Deputy Chief Executive**  
**National Security and Resilience**