DEPARTMENT OF THE
PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET
TE TARI O TE PIRIMIA ME TE KOMITI MATUA

12 August 2026

Ref: OIA-2026/27-0003

[redacted]

Tēnā koe [redacted],

Official Information Act request relating to 107 Cambridge Terrace and 109 Cambridge Terrace

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, which was initially received by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 30 June 2026 and subsequently refined on 16 July 2026. Your refined request sought:

> *"This request relates to the demolition of the buildings formerly located at 107 Cambridge Terrace and 109 Cambridge Terrace, Christchurch, which were demolished following damage associated with the Canterbury earthquake sequence and the impacts on the former Christchurch City Library building and surrounding structures. The request is limited to information created, received, held, or relating to the period from October 2010 through to December 2018. […]*
>
> *1. For the period from October 2010 through to December 2018, copies of all contracts, agreements, work orders, procurement documents, and tender documentation relating to the demolition of the buildings at 107 Cambridge Terrace and 109 Cambridge Terrace, Christchurch.*
>
> *2. Copies of all correspondence between CERA / DPMC and:*
> *a. Christchurch City Council;*
> *b. Crown Property agencies;*
> *c. Contractors and consultants;*
> *d. Building owners and their representatives;*
> *… concerning the demolition of the buildings.*
>
> *3. Records identifying:*
> *a. The decision-maker(s) responsible for authorising the demolitions;*
> *b. The statutory powers relied upon;*
> *c. The date on which demolition approval was granted.*
>
> *4. Details of all costs associated with the demolitions, including:*
> *a. Contract values;*
> *b. Variations;*
> *c. Professional fees;*
> *d. Project management costs;*
> *e. Any insurance recoveries or contributions.*
>
> *5. Copies of any photographs, plans, drawings, site records, demolition methodology statements, health and safety documentation, and completion reports relating to the demolition works.*
>
> *6. Copies of any documentation relating to future use, redevelopment, disposal, acquisition, or management of the sites following demolition.*

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7. Any other information held by DPMC, in the form of CERA records relating to the acquisition, management, demolition, or disposal of the properties at 107 Cambridge Terrace and 109 Cambridge Terrace, Christchurch following the Canterbury earthquakes."

As refinement for this request was sought by DPMC within seven working days of the request being received, your refined request is treated as replacing the initial request per section 15(1AA) of the Act.

Parts 3–7 are more closely connected to Land Information New Zealand (LINZ)

The Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA) was established as a government department on 29 March 2011 to lead and coordinate the Government's response and recovery efforts following the earthquakes of 2010 and 2011 in Canterbury.

CERA was disestablished on 18 April 2016 as the Government transitioned from leading the recovery, to establishing long-term, locally-led recovery and regeneration arrangements. Following the disestablishment of CERA, LINZ was responsible for completing demolitions and land clearances and interim land management in the residential red zones. LINZ also holds records relating to these functions.

Ordinarily DPMC would have transferred parts 3 to 7 of your request to LINZ under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act; however, as I understand that LINZ has already responded to your request, I instead refer you to its response.

Information being released relating to Part 1

This part of your request seeks information about contracts. I have decided to release the documents listed below, subject to information being withheld under section 9(2)(a), to protect the privacy of individuals. I believe that other documents relevant to this part of your request are covered by LINZ's response to your request, and I refer you to its response.

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	17/8/2011	Appendix 2-3: Demolition works order for 107a,d,e Cambridge Terrace (C6182)	Release, some information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
2	5/9/2011	Appendix 2-3: Demolition works order for 109 Cambridge Terrace (C6213)	Release, some information withheld under section 9(2)(a).
3	26/8/2011	Appendix 2-3: Demolition works order for 109E Cambridge Terrace (C6183)	Release, some information withheld under section 9(2)(a).

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Act. No public interest has been identified that would be sufficient to outweigh the reasons for withholding that information.

Part 2 is refused due to substantial collation

As noted in DPMC's email to you on 9 July 2026, your initial request was very broad. Initial searches using the property addresses as keywords returned a large volume of material (1000+ results). DPMC advised you that your request was likely to be refused under section

18(f) of the Act as responding was likely to have a significant and unreasonable impact on DPMC's ability to carry out its other operations.

You subsequently refined your request to focus on the period October 2010 through to December 2018. Despite this refinement, searches for this period still return a large volume of material (681 results). Due to limitations of keyword searching, it is unlikely that all of these results are relevant to your request, or that these results are a complete record of information held by DPMC relevant to your request. Determining whether these results are correct would require assessing each item for information potentially within scope of your request. This work is likely to have a significant and unreasonable impact on DPMC's ability to carry out its other operations.

Accordingly, I am declining this part of your request under section 18(f) of the Act. In reaching this decision, I first considered the factors contained in sections 18A(1) and 18B of the Act. However, due to the number of results and limitations of keyword searching, I did not consider that charging you for the information, extending the time limits or consulting further with you, would allow the request to be answered.

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 DPMC 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



Alan Cassidy
Deputy Chief Executive, Corporate

APPENDIX 2: DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER

FULL DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER

ORDER NO: C6182

ORDER FOR: The provision of demolition works at: 107a,d,e Cambridge Terrace

DATED Thursday, 4 August 2011

BETWEEN Her Majesty the Queen acting by and through the Chief Executive of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (**Principal**)

AND SCOPE DEMOLITION LIMITED **(Contractor)**

THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. GENERAL

(a) The Contractor shall complete the Demolition Works as described in the Contract Documents.

(b) The Principal shall pay the Contractor the Contract Price at the times and in the manner provided in the Contract Documents.

(c) Each party shall carry out and fulfil all other obligations imposed on that party by the Contract Documents.

2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents applicable to this Demolition Works Order are:

(a) This Demolition Works Order Agreement

(b) The Specific Terms

(c) Schedule 3: Scope of Work

(d) Schedule 4: Salvageable Goods

(e) Schedule 5: The Demolition Plan including:

- **(i)** Programme
- **(ii)** Methodology
- **(iii)** Health & Safety Plan
- **(iv)** Traffic Management Plan
- **(v)** Waste Management Plan

(f) Schedule 6: Other Demolition Works Order Documents

(g) Provisions which will apply to all Demolition Works Orders as provided in the Framework Special Conditions including:

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C6182.

(i) The General Terms

Each item shall prevail over any item appearing lower in the list where any conflict or ambiguity between them arises.

Signed for and on behalf of the **Principal** by:	**Signed** for and on behalf of the **Contractor** by:
s9(2)(a) [redacted]	s9(2)(a) [redacted]
Authorised Signatory	Authorised Signatory
Warwick Isaacs Manager, Transition & Deconstruction CERA	SCOPE DEMOLITION
Dated: 4/8/11	Dated: 17/8/11

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APPENDIX 3: DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER SPECIFIC TERMS

DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER SPECIFIC TERMS
ORDER NO: C6182

1. Contact Details

The Principal	**Name:** Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority **Physical address:** Christchurch Art Gallery, Gloucester Street, Christchurch **Postal address:** Private Bag 4999, Christchurch **Email:** warwick.isaacs@cera.govt.nz **Attention:** Warwick Isaacs **Address for Invoices:** CERA C/- Demolition Project Management Office, PO Box 461, Christchurch
The Contractor	**Physical address: 625 Lineside Rd, , Rangiora, 7400** **Postal address:** PO Box 755, , Rangiora 7440 **Email:** greg@scopedemolition.co.nz **Attention: Greg Davies**

2. Representatives

The Principal's Representative	**Name:** Matt Allen **Telephone:** s9(2)(a) **Email:** mallen@rcp.co.nz **Cell phone:** s9(2)(a)
The Contractor's Representative	**Name: Greg Davies** **Telephone:** s9(2)(a) **Email:** greg@scopedemolition.co.nz **Cell phone:** s9(2)(a)

3. Duration of Demolition Works
(refer to clause 6 of the General Terms)

Commencement Date	9/08/2011
Date for Completion	6/09/2011

4. Demolition Site

107a,d,e Cambridge Terrace

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5. Disposal Site

Burwood Resource Recovery Park (mixed waste) Bromley EOC (large native timbers) Simms Metals (ferrous and non-ferrous metals) Lyttelton Port Company (clean fill) Kate Valley (Special waste) – *ensure operator has an agreement in place*

6. Delivery Address for Salvageable Goods

(refer to clause 1.10 of the General Terms)

No Salvage Under Urgent Instruction

7. Exceptions to the Contractor's ownership of Demolition Waste

(refer to clause 1.11 of the General Terms)

The ownership of any demolition waste (as defined under clause 1.11) does not rest with the contractor.

8. The Contractor's Insurance

(refer to clause 2 of the General Terms)

Public liability insurance	$10 Million
Plant and equipment insurance	$510 Thousand
Motor Vehicle third party liability insurance	$10 Million
Insurance for Existing Structures Forming Part of the Works	Not Applicable

9. Consents

(refer to clause 9.1 of the General Terms)

Consents to be obtained by the Principal	Not Applicable
Consents to be obtained by the Contractor (without limitation)	Not Applicable

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10. Existing Structures Forming Part of the Works
(refer to clause 2.4 of the General Terms)

Not Applicable

11. Additional Terms

Not Applicable

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APPENDIX 2: DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER

FULL DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER

ORDER NO: C6213

ORDER FOR: The provision of demolition works at: 109 Cambridge Terrace

DATED Wednesday, 31 August 2011

BETWEEN Her Majesty the Queen acting by and through the Chief Executive of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (**Principal**)

AND SCOPE DEMOLITION LIMITED **(Contractor)**

THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. GENERAL

(a) The Contractor shall complete the Demolition Works as described in the Contract Documents.

(b) The Principal shall pay the Contractor the Contract Price at the times and in the manner provided in the Contract Documents.

(c) Each party shall carry out and fulfil all other obligations imposed on that party by the Contract Documents.

2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents applicable to this Demolition Works Order are:

(a) This Demolition Works Order Agreement

(b) The Specific Terms

(c) Schedule 3: Scope of Work

(d) Schedule 4: Salvageable Goods

(e) Schedule 5: The Demolition Plan including:

- **(i)** Programme
- **(ii)** Methodology
- **(iii)** Health & Safety Plan
- **(iv)** Traffic Management Plan
- **(v)** Waste Management Plan

(f) Schedule 6: Other Demolition Works Order Documents

(g) Provisions which will apply to all Demolition Works Orders as provided in the Framework Special Conditions including:

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C6213

(i) The General Terms

Each item shall prevail over any item appearing lower in the list where any conflict or ambiguity between them arises.

Signed for and on behalf of the **Principal** by:	**Signed** for and on behalf of the **Contractor** by:
s9(2)(a)	s9(2)(a)
Authorised Signatory	Authorised Signatory
Warwick Isaacs Manager, Transition & Deconstruction CERA	Greg Davis
Dated: 2/9/11	Dated: 5. 9. 2011

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APPENDIX 3: DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER SPECIFIC TERMS

FULL DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER SPECIFIC TERMS
ORDER NO: C6213

1. Contact Details

The Principal	**Name:** Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority **Physical address:** Christchurch Art Gallery, Gloucester Street, Christchurch **Postal address:** Private Bag 4999, Christchurch **Email:** warwick.isaacs@cera.govt.nz **Attention:** Warwick Isaacs **Address for invoices:** CERA C/- Demolition Project Management Office, PO Box 461, Christchurch
The Contractor	**Physical address: 625 Lineside Rd, , Rangiora, 7400** **Postal address:** PO Box 755, , Rangiora 7440 **Email:** greg@scopedemolition.co.nz **Attention: Greg Davies**

2. Representatives

The Principal's Representative	**Name:** Matt Allen **Telephone:** s9(2)(a) **Email:** mallen@rcp.co.nz **Cell phone:** s9(2)(a)
The Contractor's Representative	**Name: Greg Davies** **Telephone:** s9(2)(a) **Email:** greg@scopedemolition.co.nz **Cell phone:** s9(2)(a)

3. Duration of Demolition Works
(refer to clause 6 of the General Terms)

Commencement Date	31/08/2011
Date for Completion	28/09/2011

4. Demolition Site

109 Cambridge Terrace

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5. Disposal Site

Burwood Resource Recovery Park (mixed waste) Bromley EOC (large native timbers) Simms Metals (ferrous and non-ferrous metals) Lyttelton Port Company (clean fill) Kate Valley (Special waste) – *ensure operator has an agreement in place*

6. Delivery Address for Salvageable Goods

(refer to clause 1.10 of the General Terms)

No Salvage Under Urgent Instruction

7. Exceptions to the Contractor's ownership of Demolition Waste

(refer to clause 1.11 of the General Terms)

The ownership of any demolition waste (as defined under clause 1.11) does not rest with the contractor.

8. The Contractor's Insurance

(refer to clause 2 of the General Terms)

Public liability insurance	$10 Million
Plant and equipment insurance	$510 Thousand
Motor Vehicle third party liability insurance	$10 Million
Insurance for Existing Structures Forming Part of the Works	Not Applicable

9. Consents

(refer to clause 9.1 of the General Terms)

Consents to be obtained by the Principal	Not Applicable
Consents to be obtained by the Contractor (without limitation)	Not Applicable

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10. Existing Structures Forming Part of the Works
(refer to clause 2.4 of the General Terms)

Not Applicable

11. Additional Terms

Not Applicable

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APPENDIX 2: DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER

FULL DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER

ORDER NO: C6183

ORDER FOR: The provision of demolition works at: 109E Cambridge Terrace

DATED Thursday, 4 August 2011

BETWEEN Her Majesty the Queen acting by and through the Chief Executive of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (**Principal**)

AND SCOPE DEMOLITION LIMITED **(Contractor)**

THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. GENERAL

(a) The Contractor shall complete the Demolition Works as described in the Contract Documents.

(b) The Principal shall pay the Contractor the Contract Price at the times and in the manner provided in the Contract Documents.

(c) Each party shall carry out and fulfil all other obligations imposed on that party by the Contract Documents.

2. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents applicable to this Demolition Works Order are:

(a) This Demolition Works Order Agreement

(b) The Specific Terms

(c) Schedule 3: Scope of Work

(d) Schedule 4: Salvageable Goods

(e) Schedule 5: The Demolition Plan including:

- **(i)** Programme
- **(ii)** Methodology
- **(iii)** Health & Safety Plan
- **(iv)** Traffic Management Plan
- **(v)** Waste Management Plan

(f) Schedule 6: Other Demolition Works Order Documents

(g) Provisions which will apply to all Demolition Works Orders as provided in the Framework Special Conditions including:

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C6183

(i) The General Terms

Each item shall prevail over any item appearing lower in the list where any conflict or ambiguity between them arises.

Signed for and on behalf of the **Principal** by:	**Signed** for and on behalf of the **Contractor** by:
s9(2)(a)	s9(2)(a)
Authorised Signatory	Authorised Signatory
Warwick Isaacs Manager, Transition & Deconstruction CERA	Greg Davies
Dated: 4/8/11	Dated: 26/8/11

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APPENDIX 3: DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER SPECIFIC TERMS

DEMOLITION WORKS ORDER SPECIFIC TERMS
ORDER NO: C6183

1. Contact Details

The Principal	**Name:** Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority **Physical address:** Christchurch Art Gallery, Gloucester Street, Christchurch **Postal address:** Private Bag 4999, Christchurch **Email:** warwick.isaacs@cera.govt.nz **Attention:** Warwick Isaacs **Address for Invoices:** CERA C/- Demolition Project Management Office, PO Box 461, Christchurch
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The Contractor's Representative	**Name: Greg Davies** **Telephone:** s9(2)(a) **Email:** greg@scopedemolition.co.nz **Cell phone:** s9(2)(a)

3. Duration of Demolition Works
(refer to clause 6 of the General Terms)

Commencement Date	9/08/2011
Date for Completion	6/09/2011

4. Demolition Site

109E Cambridge Terrace

Released under the Official Information Act 1982

5. Disposal Site

Burwood Resource Recovery Park (mixed waste) Bromley EOC (large native timbers) Simms Metals (ferrous and non-ferrous metals) Lyttelton Port Company (clean fill) Kate Valley (Special waste) – *ensure operator has an agreement in place*

6. Delivery Address for Salvageable Goods
(refer to clause 1.10 of the General Terms)

No Salvage Under Urgent Instruction

7. Exceptions to the Contractor's ownership of Demolition Waste
(refer to clause 1.11 of the General Terms)

The ownership of any demolition waste (as defined under clause 1.11) does not rest with the contractor.

8. The Contractor's Insurance
(refer to clause 2 of the General Terms)

Public liability insurance	$10 Million
Plant and equipment insurance	$510 Thousand
Motor Vehicle third party liability insurance	$10 Million
Insurance for Existing Structures Forming Part of the Works	Not Applicable

9. Consents
(refer to clause 9.1 of the General Terms)

Consents to be obtained by the Principal	Not Applicable
Consents to be obtained by the Contractor (without limitation)	Not Applicable

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10. Existing Structures Forming Part of the Works
(refer to clause 2.4 of the General Terms)

Not Applicable

11. Additional Terms

Not Applicable

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