

28 July 2025

By email to [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2022/35

Thank you for your request of 10 July 2025 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) regarding the election of hapu or iwi representatives. Specifically, you have asked for:

All correspondence held by the Electoral Commission in regard to requests, proposals or arrangements to carry out voting analysis or related services for the election of hapu or iwi representatives (which may have occurred between 2021 to date).

This information is likely held by the iwi or hapu themselves. The Electoral Commission does not hold or collect information about hapu or iwi elections. The Electoral Commission is responsible for running New Zealand's parliamentary elections and administering the Electoral Act 1993. For this reason, we have to refuse your request under section 18(e) of the Act because we do not have the information you are looking for.

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every 3 months. We will publish this response with your personal details redacted.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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