

23 October 2025

By email to: [REDACTED]

Kia ora [REDACTED]

### **OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2025/70**

On 16 September 2025 you made a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) to the Ministry of Justice. On 25 September this request was transferred under section 14 of the OIA to the Electoral Commission, as your request for information more closely relates to the functions of the Commission. You have asked for the following documents:

- *Briefing – Future proofing the electoral system, dated 5 December 2024, and associated annexes; and*

- *Electoral Commission – Budget 2025 bid, dated 6 December 2024.*

I have attached the requested briefing to the Minister of Justice, dated 5 December 2024. The briefing had no annexes.

I am also attaching two documents that comprise the Commission's Budget bid:

- Final – EC – Annex 1 Budget 2025 Cost Pressures and New Spending Template
- Appendix A Modernisation and Integrity Improvements.

Some contact details, such as phone numbers and email addresses, have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA which relates to the privacy of natural persons. In each case where redactions have been made under section 9(2)(a), consideration has been given to, and I am satisfied that the reasons for withholding of the information are not outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable in the public interest to make that information available.

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every three 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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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