

18 February 2026

By email to: [REDACTED]

Kia ora [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2026/07

On 2 February 2026 you made a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) for the following information:

We are seeking information for the address and contact details for a court-ordered debtor who is in New Zealand. The name is [REDACTED]. Attached are the court orders and we have been looking for [REDACTED] for some years. Could you please assist.

Your request is refused pursuant to section 18(c)(i) of the Act, as the Electoral Commission making the information available would be contrary to the provisions of a specified enactment.

The electoral rolls are public registers created under the Electoral Act 1993. Apart from a general right of public inspection and the right to purchase printed copies of the rolls and habitation indexes, the supply of information from the rolls, particularly in electronic form, is strictly regulated under the Electoral Act.

Any person may purchase the current main roll or habitation index for an electoral district under section 110(5) of the Electoral Act, on payment of the prescribed fee. The roll lists the names and addresses, and occupation (if provided) of registered electors, ordered alphabetically by family name, for the district. On the electoral roll a person is enrolled at the address that they reside at. The index lists the names of electors by street address in the district. Please note that dates of birth, phone numbers, and email addresses are not released.

Attached to this letter is the form for applying to purchase a printed electoral roll or habitation index. You should note that it is an offence under section 117 of the Electoral Act for a person to produce roll or habitation index information provided in print form into a different form from that in which it was supplied. A breach of section 117 of the Electoral Act carries a fine not exceeding \$50,000. If you wish to purchase printed rolls, please contact: rolls@elections.govt.nz (or 04 495 0030) to discuss submitting an application form.

You can also view main and supplementary rolls and habitation indexes at public libraries and the offices of registrars of electors. If you would like to look at the electoral rolls at a public library, please contact the library you wish to visit. If you would like to look at the electoral rolls at the office of your local registrar of electors, you will need to make an appointment. Please email enrolment.enquiries@vote.nz to make an appointment, with 'Request for an appointment to view the electoral rolls' as your subject line.

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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