

23/10/2024

By email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

### **OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2024/62**

On 25 September 2024 you made a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the OIA) for the following information:

*I am interested in learning more about the Police decision to not pursue an investigation or prosecution in relation to the initial inaccurate donation return and subsequent late donation return filed by David MacLeod in respect of the 2023 general election.*

*I will likely make a separate information request to Police, but thought to first make a request for information you hold, in particular, to request a copy of the Electoral Commission's referral to Police, including the information that the Commission supplied to Police as part of that referral.*

Please find attached the requested documents. These documents include the letter the Electoral Commission sent to the Police, alongside Appendices A-E.

Some contact details, such as phone numbers, email addresses and some names 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.

Please note that some redactions were made to Appendix E by David MacLeod when it was provided to the Commission. These redactions were made in black, whilst the redactions we have made under section 9(2)(a) have been made in red for the purpose of distinction.

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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