

12 October 2022

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I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), dated 12 September 2022, for the following information:

*“Official information request: Mangere Stormwater Infrastructure Project Information Requested:*

- *Latest approved Business Case*
- *Investment Decision Document*

*o The most recent document that captures the governance decision to proceed with this project. Typically, cabinet papers, board papers or governance papers*

- *Project Assurance Plan”*

The information you have requested does not currently exist, as the work underway it is not at a sufficiently advanced stage. By way of context, Kāinga Ora is currently undertaking early investigation work on the existing stormwater catchments in Mangere in partnership with Auckland Council’s stormwater department. This work will inform a wider catchment plan to be prepared alongside Auckland Council.

Larger scale stormwater projects that will service the wider catchment cannot be confirmed until the wider catchment study and initial assessments are complete. At that point, the Council will advise whether it plans to proceed with taking the catchment plan further (if it does, a business case would be prepared). As the investigations progress, we will have a better understanding of the form the potential wider stormwater catchment solution will take.

Any stormwater infrastructure upgrades that are currently in progress in the catchment are at a neighbourhood level as opposed to being wider catchment-level solutions. These are solely required to service new developments under construction and these localised stormwater upgrades are not large projects.

Therefore, the requested information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

Under section 28(3) of the Act you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Contact details for the Ombudsman can be found at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Yours sincerely



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