



13 March 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 14 February 2024, in which you requested data and information regarding Emergency Housing in Gisborne Territorial Local Authority (TLA) between 1 January and 31 December 2023. I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982.

You will find my decision on each part of your request set out separately below.

- 1. How many emergency housing suppliers in the Gisborne Territorial Local Authority (TLA) received Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants between January 1 and December 31 of 2023?*
- 2. How much did this amount to? and can you breakdown the amounts by each provider (including grant recipient /business by name)?*

Please refer to the attached **Appendix**, which details the number of Emergency Housing Special Needs Grants and the amount granted in the Gisborne TLA between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2023, broken down by supplier.

Please note to protect client privacy, some values are suppressed and are represented by 'S'. The Ministry is unable to provide you with the exact number as releasing this information is likely to risk identifying the individuals concerned. As such, this information is withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs and public interest in the information.

- 3. In addition, can you state if MSD has purchased any property in Gisborne intended to be used as Emergency Housing?*

I can confirm that the Ministry has purchased no property in Gisborne for the purpose of Emergency Housing.

I will publish this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request for data and information regarding Emergency Housing in Gisborne TLA between 1 January and 31 December 2023., you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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