

2 November 2021

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Dear [REDACTED]

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: 2021-104**

Thank you for your letter of 27 September 2021 to the Carterton District Council requesting the following information:

1. *“The Financial Impact and Risk reports to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Governance Group as referred to in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Update from the Infrastructure and Services Committee Agenda dated 2 June 2021.*
2. *The Financial Impact and Risk reports to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade Governance Group as referred to in the Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade dated 4 August 2021.”*

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meeting Act 1987 (the Act).

In response to points 1 and 2 of your request, the information you are requesting has been withheld as it is necessary under section 7(2)(i) of the Act to enable the Carterton District Council holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).

As required under section 7(1) of the Act, I have had regard to the public interest considerations favouring the release of the information withheld. I do not consider the public interest considerations favouring the release of this information sufficient to outweigh the need to withhold it at this time.

Thank you again for your email/letter. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Geoff Hamilton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

Geoff Hamilton  
**Chief Executive**  
**Carterton District Council**

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