

27 August 2025



Tēnā koe



**LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: 2025-39**

I refer to your email request of 18 August 2025 where you asked:

*You appear to have misunderstood our email. We were not providing feedback. We asked a question – what is the outcome of the CDC investigation? To avoid any doubt, this is a LGOIMA request.*

*As we have previously expressed, an investigation is unwarranted. The CDC is fixed with its legal advice and must now enforce it. Any further failure to do so requires an explanation."*

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

In response to your request, I have decided to withhold the information you are requesting under sections 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(f)(ii) of the Act, to protect the privacy of natural persons, and to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the protection of such members, officers, employees, and persons from improper pressure or harassment;

Where information has been withheld under section 7(2), I have considered, as required under section 7(1) of the Act, the public interest considerations favouring its release. I have identified no public interest considerations which outweigh the need to withhold information at this time.

Please note, the Council proactively publishes LGOIMA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.



Thank you again for your email. 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.

Nāku noa, nā



Geoff Hamilton  
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**Carterton District Council**

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