

1 September 2022

Tēnā koe

On 1 August 2022 you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- 1. Does your public body currently own, use, manage, operate, or otherwise control ANY (1 or more) Cameras with Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR)? If so, continue on to (2). If not, please reply to this email with "Not applicable".
- 2. Please provide a current list of cameras owned, used, managed, operated, or otherwise controlled by your public body. Format in an excel document as follows (see attached template):

Row 1 - Road name

Row 2 - Camera Owner. (NZTA etc)

Row 3 - Location: Latitude.

Row 4 - Location: Longitude

Row 5 - Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) capable: Y / N

Row 6 - If 'Y' (yes) to row 5, 'edge' ANPR processing on site: Y / N

Row 7 - If 'Y' to row 5, Connected to VIBE (Vehicle Identification Broadcast Engine): Y / N

Row 8 - If 'Y' to row 5, Connected to SaferCities vGRID: Y / N

Row 9 - If 'Y' to row 5, Connected to any other ANPR databases: Y / N

Use "N/A" for row 6-9 if row 5 is "N" (No).

The Ministry owns one camera with Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR), located in the Hawkes Bay region. This camera is in place to perform a useful administrative function to allow access to a carpark.

The camera is connected through the CCTV system on site, to read vehicle number plates registered on the local system of vehicles travelling on a private ramp to gain access to a carpark. Details of all vehicles permitted to enter the carpark are held locally in the system for 60 days but are not used for any other purpose such as crime prevention, investigation, or detection purposes.

The 'edge' ANPR is processed on site, and there is no connectivity from this system to any outside database or organisation. Note that latitude and longitude are unknown.

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter and attachments on the Ministry's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

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 this response regarding the Ministry's camera with Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR), 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.

Ngā mihi nui

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