

29 September 2022

Tēnā koe

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

• Can you please confirm which company and software provider the ANPR parking system is operating on?

The Ministry takes the security of our systems, and the security and safety of our clients and staff seriously. Disclosing details around the company and software that the Ministry uses for the ANPR camera you have previously asked about may put the security of our systems at risk. Therefore this information is being withheld under section 6(c) of the Official Information Act where making that information available would be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation and detection of offences.

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 <u>OIA Requests@msd.govt.nz</u>.

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 <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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