

Reference: 20150066

4 May 2015



Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on 4 March 2015. You requested the following:

“any advice or reports given to the Minister of Finance (or the Minister responsible for Housing New Zealand Corporation) about the potential fiscal impacts of the government's stated plans to transfer ownership of some state homes to community housing providers (“CHPs”). This request should cover the period since September 30, 2015.”

We have assumed that there is a typing error in your request and are interpreting it to cover the period since September 30, 2014.

On 2 April 2015 we extended the time limit for deciding on your request by an additional 20 working days.

Information Publicly Available

The document noted in the table below is covered by the request and will be included in the next proactive release of SHRP documents on the website www.socialhousing.govt.nz.

Item	Date	Document Description
1.	6 October 2014	Social Housing Valuation Overview

Accordingly, I have refused your request for the document listed in the above table under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act – the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

Some relevant information may be removed from document listed in the above table on the grounds described in the document.

Information to be Withheld

There are parts of two additional documents that are relevant to your request. I have decided to withhold these documents in full under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act - to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.

Item	Date	Document Description
1.	3 November 2014	Treasury Report: Capital Investment, Recycling and the Fiscal Strategy
2.	16 December 2014	Treasury Report: Capital Targets

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Treasury website.

This fully covers the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely

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