

Reference: 20220257

27 July 2022

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request, received on 6 July 2022. You requested:

Under the OIA please can you provide all information you have received from ChCh City Council since they drew down \$80m of the 'CRAF' to date. For the sake of clarity I am asking for the information you have received since drawdown in line with your obligations as stewards of the fund and for public accountability.

On 08 July 2022, you refined the request and a new scope was agreed:

Formal reports from the Christchurch City Council on the use of the \$80 million provided for the purposes of investment into the Roding projects and Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor projects, since drawdown.

The Crown agreed to provide the \$80 million of funding up front to the Council for it to be responsible for using on the projects outlined in the approved Investment Cases, consistent with a return to local leadership. The Treasury therefore did not request any formal reporting as the Council is responsible for the appropriate use of the funds.

The Treasury has engaged informally with Christchurch City Council staff to receive verbal updates on the use of these funds but, as at the date of your request, it has not received formal information from the Council on the Ōtākaro Avon River Corridor nor Roding Projects funded through the Christchurch Regeneration Acceleration Facility (CRAF).

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

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Dryburgh', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Morgan Dryburgh
Acting Manager, National Infrastructure Unit