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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to your request dated 22 May 2019, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982, seeking:

“copies of all analysis and advice on Let’s Get Wellington Moving since 1 June 2018”

I have interpreted the definition of analysis and advice separately to be the following:

- “*Analysis*” could refer to any work completed by officials in order to analyse and understand problems relating to LGWM. Analysis would not be restricted to official briefings, documents and correspondence, but iterations of calculations and modelling, discussions with other people and individual thoughts relating to LGWM.
- “*Advice*” is typically provided to the Minister of Transport in briefings, aides memoire and other official documents. However, occasionally advice will be passed through a private secretary via email.

In order to satisfy the public interest in the Let’s Get Wellington Moving project:

- all the key documents (briefings and aides memoire) produced by the Ministry of Transport relating to Let’s Get Wellington Moving have been made publicly available at www.transport.govt.nz/land/lgwm/.
- a considerable volume of material has been made available by LGWM partner agencies (the NZ Transport Agency, Wellington City Council and Wellington Regional Council) on the Let’s Get Wellington Moving website at www.getwellymoving.co.nz.
- the Minister of Transport released on 18 July 2019 to you “all briefings, advice and aide memoris” he received, which included emails received from the Ministry of Transport.

In regards to your request for advice, all material has been made publicly available or released to you. This includes considerable analysis by officials, but the scope of your request is very broad. It could apply to a very large volume of recorded and unrecorded material. Because of the substantial collation and research that would be required, I have to refuse this part of your request under Section 18(f) of the OIA.

Under section 28 of the OIA, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold this information. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours sincerely



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