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Chris Bishop  
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Dear Chris,

I refer to your request dated 30 October 2019, pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), seeking:

*“copies of all internal emails held by Ministry of Transport that:  
- Contain a copy of or excerpt from the 26 March letter  
- Mention the 26 March letter”*

We understand you are referring to a letter written by Green MP and Associate Minister of Transport Hon Julie Anne Genter to the Minister of Transport dated 26 March 2019 relating to the Let's Get Wellington Moving (LGWM) indicative package. In regards to the first part of your request, the Ministry of Transport (the Ministry) does not hold a copy, or any excerpt, of the letter you are referring to. Therefore, I am refusing this part of your request on the grounds that we do not hold the information (section 18(e) of the Act).

In regards to the second part of your request, the Ministry has recently responded to a similar request. The previous request, responded to in September 2019, asked for the following:

*“Please provide any correspondence or communication which mentions, refers to, alludes to or is in connection to the Lets get Wellington moving letter sent from Associate Minister Julie Anne Genter to Phil Twyford. Please note that this request is not requesting the content of the letter, but only communications which relate to it either directly or indirectly.”*

As per our standard procedure with Official Information requests, the response is published on our website. You can find the information through the following link, clicking on the request described as “*LGWM letter correspondence*”.

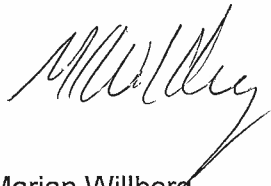
<https://www.transport.govt.nz/about/governance/official-information-act-requests/official-information-act-responses/>

As the response to "*LGWM letter correspondence*" fulfils your request, I am refusing the second part of your request because the information is publicly available (section 18(d) of the Act).

The Ministry publishes our Official Information Act responses and the information contained in our reply to you will be published on the Ministry website. Before publishing we will remove any personal or identifiable information.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint about the response to this request to the Ombudsman, whose address for contact purposes is: [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Willberg', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Marian Willberg  
**Manager, Demand Management and Revenue**