



28 September 2023



Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

### Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act ("OIA") dated 1 September 2023.

You have requested:

*All correspondence received and sent, all information received and all information held in relation to the publishers of the NZ Herald and of Stuff's eligibility to receive funds from the \$55m public interest journalism fund that relate to the criteria that "Applicants can show a clear and obvious commitment or intent for commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, including a commitment to te reo Māori*

I have attached the requested information that we are able to release:

- Excerpts of documentation submitted by NZME in their successful Public Interest Journalism Fund funding applications that falls within the scope of your request.
- Excerpts of documentation submitted by Stuff in their successful Public Interest Journalism Fund funding applications that falls within the scope of your request.

The following redactions in these documents have been made:

- The names of individuals under Section 9(2)(a) of the OIA
- Details that would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information under Section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA.

We can confirm that there is correspondence received and sent by NZ On Air that falls within the scope of your request.

For your information, funding provided by NZ On Air for all successful projects is [searchable](#) on our website. You can also [sign up](#) to receive our regular industry newsletter via our website.

You have the right to refer this response to the Ombudsman if you are dissatisfied with it. More information on how to do this is [here](#). NZ On Air proactively releases information in accordance with the Government's commitment to the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan. This includes publishing responses to requests for information under the OIA. Please note that this response (with your name removed) will be published on the NZ On Air website shortly and will remain on our website for 12 months.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Yours sincerely

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

Sharon Kerry  
**HEAD OF CORPORATE SERVICES**