

**From:** Ministerials  
**To:** s 9(2)(a)  
**Subject:** RE: OIA request for the Deed of Funding associated with the FIF project, Lake Wanaka and Upper Clutha Water Management Plan  
**Date:** Thursday, 4 October 2018 10:18:00 AM

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Kia ora s 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act (the Act) dated 25 September for:

*“the Deed, or Deeds of Funding for \$385 000 MfE signed with representatives of the Upper Clutha Water Group or Upper Clutha Lakes Trust for their Freshwater Improvement Fund project, “Lake Wanaka and Upper Clutha Community Water Management Plan”.*

*I note the Upper Clutha Lakes Trust has released some information about the project but not the details of the four components and how funding has being allocated to each components of the project. “*

Information you have requested can be found on the Upper Clutha Lakes Trust website here:

- <https://www.uppercluthalakestrust.org/your-water/district/wanaka-water-project/>
- Deed of Funding: <https://www.uppercluthalakestrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/FIF-Deed-of-Funding-signed-by-ORC-MfE.pdf>
- Annual budget information May 2018 – June 2018: <https://www.uppercluthalakestrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/FIF-1027-Otago-Regional-Council-ANNUAL-PLAN-Apr-2018-Jun-2018-FINAL.pdf>
- Annual budget information July 2018 – June 2019: <https://www.uppercluthalakestrust.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/FIF-1027-Otago-Regional-Council-ANNUAL-PLAN-Jul-2018-Jun-2019-FINAL.pdf>

Accordingly, I am refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Act: *the information requested is or will soon be publicl available.*

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my response to your request.

Nga mihi  
Erin

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Kia ora Erin Cairns

On 10 May 2018 in a reply to me you stated, "The deed of funding you're requesting have not been signed. It may be finalised by next month. Once it is signed we will be happy to process any new requests as an OIA and review its release to you. Thanks in advance, apologies I could not be more helpful.

Accordingly I am now requesting the Deed, or Deeds of Funding for \$385 000 MfE signed with representatives of the Upper Clutha Water Group or Upper Clutha Lakes Trust for their Freshwater Improvement Fund project, "Lake Wanaka and Upper Clutha Community Water Management Plan".

I note the Upper Clutha Lakes Trust has released some information about the project - but not the details of the four components and how funding has being allocated to each components of the project.

Thank you in anticipation

Nga mihi

s 9(2)(a)

Released under the provision of  
the Official Information Act 1982