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Tēnā koe Justin,

**Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987**

We refer to your official information request dated 8 May 2026, seeking assessments and reports provided to the Ava Pedestrian Bridge Technical Advice Group regarding the long-list of options. Specifically, you requested:

*“I would like a copy of all assessments and reports submitted to the Ava Pedestrian Bridge’s Technical Advice Group regarding the long-list of options”.*

**Answer:**

In response to your request, the information you have asked for relates to an active design phase for the Ava Pedestrian Bridge project, which is not yet complete. The material provided to the Technical Advice Group forms part of that ongoing process, where options are still under consideration and have not yet been finalised.

Release of this information at this stage would be likely to inhibit the free and frank exchange of views involved in that process, as it would disclose material that is still under active consideration prior to decisions being made. For this reason, your request is refused under section 7(2)(f)(i) of the LGOIMA.

There is recognised public interest in the Ava Pedestrian Bridge project. Once the current phase of work is complete and decisions on the project have been made and announced, it is intended that the relevant assessment reports and supporting material will be proactively released.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: [Office of the Ombudsman - Complaints](#), or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Ngā mihi nui



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