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Thank you for your email of 24 August 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), which was transferred to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities on 25 August 2023:

- *A table of KiwiBuild properties already completed that are either less than 200 metres from the coast or below 1.5 metres above relative sea level*
- *The value these properties were sold for.*

I can advise you that while Kāinga Ora administers the KiwiBuild underwrite programme on behalf of the Government, it does not record either the distance of underwritten KiwiBuild homes from the sea, or their height above sea level. I have also confirmed with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development that it does not record the information you have requested.

As the requested information for the first part of your request is not recorded, it is not possible to provide you with the second part of your request. I am therefore refusing both parts of your request under section 18(g)(i) of the Act as:

'...the information requested is not held by the department or Minister of the Crown or organisation and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is either held by another department or Minister of the Crown or organisation, or by a local authority...'

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Thank you again for your email. Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely



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