

21 June 2024

By email to:

Dear

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 2022/44

Thank you for your request of 20 June 2024 under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) regarding political party communications to its constituents. Specifically, you have asked for:

I would like to make an Official Information Act request regarding political party communications to its constituents.

Particularly, I would like a copy of every email sent by the New Zealand National Party and New Zealand Labour Party to their full membership mailing list from the years 2016-2024. If this is not possible, I would appreciate a copy of the fundraising emails.

The Electoral Commission does not hold information regarding political party communications to its constituents. This information is held by political parties themselves. The Commission is responsible for running New Zealand's parliamentary elections and administering the Electoral Act 1993. On this basis your request is refused under 18(e) of the Act.

As the Official Information Act does not apply to political parties, we would suggest contacting the party secretaries. You can find their contact details here on our website: Register of political parties | Elections

In the interests of transparency, we release responses to Official Information Act requests every 3 months. We will publish this response with your personal details redacted.

You have the right under section 28(3) of the Act to make a complaint to the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with the response to your request. Information about how to do this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by phoning 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

Kristina Temel

Manager, Legal and Policy