

21 October 2024

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Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation (DOC), received on 30 September 2024, in which you asked:

Can I please see the Dunedin Wildlife Hospital report and the MPI assessment report for the bird, Charlie, which is at the Dunedin Botanical Gardens?

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982. On 2 October, we transferred your request to the Dunedin City Council and the Ministry of Primary Industries. On further discussion with the Council, it was agreed that the Department would retain the part of your request relating to the Dunedin Wildlife Hospital report. I apologise for any confusion caused by this.

Please find the following document now attached:

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	9 August 2024	Kākā Charlie Health and Behavioural Assessment	Released in part

I have decided to release the relevant parts of this document subject to information being withheld under the following sections of the Official Information Act, as applicable:

- Section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people.
- Section 9(2)(g)(ii) – to protect members of organisations, officers, and employees from improper pressure or harassment.

In making my decision, I have considered section 9(1) of the Official Information Act and determined there are no public interests that outweigh the grounds for withholding.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and attached document may be published on the Department's website.

Nāku noa, nā



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