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Thank you for your request dated 26 December 2021 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

How many potential Specified Development Projects is Kāinga Ora currently assessing? Of those projects, how many have been proposed by Kāinga Ora internally and how many by private developers?

Kāinga Ora has not yet selected a project for assessment as a Specified Development Project (SDP) under the Urban Development Act (UDA) but several conversations are under way regarding potential SDPs.

The formal assessment of a project is a significant piece of work and it is important that projects are selected carefully. Under Section 29 of the UDA, Kāinga Ora has discretion in selecting projects for formal assessment. In exercising a discretion, all relevant facts and factors should be considered, with due regard given to the breadth of any discretion conferred and any mandatory considerations, and in furtherance of the statutory objectives of the UDA.

To date one external proposal for consideration as a SDP has been received from a private developer.

Discussions continue to be held with a broad range of external parties about their projects and the benefits or otherwise of using the UDA development pathway.

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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