

25 February 2026

**13 FEBRUARY 2026: OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

In your email dated 13 February 2026 you requested the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA):

*Please list, for each film that has reached the stage of receiving the “green light” by the NZFC since 1 January 2018:*

- 1. The name of the film.*
- 2. The date on which it received the “green light”.*

*In the case that “green light” isn’t a useful phrase that matches given your various funding hurdles, please provide columns with dates for each of the funding hurdles passed by each such film since 1 January 2018.*

The term “green light” is not one that is formally used by the NZFC, as film projects typically progress through a series of discrete funding stages rather than a single approval point. Depending on the funding pathway, these stages may include development funding, production funding, and post-production funding. Decisions at each stage are made independently and do not guarantee progression to subsequent stages.

All NZFC funding decisions are published on the NZFC website following the completion of contractual agreements, here: [New Zealand Film Commission | Past Funding Decisions](#)

Please note that we will be publishing this letter (with your personal information removed) on the NZFC website.

You have the right, by way of complaint to an Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review of our response.

Yours sincerely



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