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Lobby New Zealand  
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Reference: OIA-2020/21-0561

Dear Lobby New Zealand

**Official Information Act request relating to funding of the new Implementation Unit**

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request received on 4 May 2021.  
You requested:

*“...all information regarding the funding of the new Governmental Implementation Unit, being run by Deputy Prime Minister Grant Robertson. Specifically, what costs on the taxpayer were involved in the creation of this unit, and the costs that will continue to be associated with this unit.”*

Funding information for the new Implementation Unit has been released as part of Budget 2021 and is publicly available on the Treasury website:

<https://www.treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2021-05/b21-wellbeing-budget.pdf>

Accordingly, I am refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Act, on the basis that “the information requested is or will soon be publicly available”.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

We do not intend to publish this response on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet’s website.

Yours sincerely

Anneliese Parkin  
**Deputy Chief Executive, Policy**