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Tēnā koe Susan

Thank you for your email of 5 November 2014 requesting:

“the minutes of the Early Childhood Advisory Committee from 2008 to the present, regarding group sizes in daycare facilities for children under two years old.”

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

The minutes of three Early Childhood Advisory Committee (ECAC) meetings contain information you are seeking. The relevant meetings are:

1. 29 June 2011
2. 5 December 2013
3. 3 June 2014.


In each instance, the information relating to group size for under twos only forms part of the discussion in the ECAC meeting minutes. For this reason I am providing you with excerpts, under section 16(1)(e) of the Act, from the three meeting minutes which relate specifically to what you have asked for.

Please find the excerpts of the ECAC meeting minutes attached. Deletions have been made under section 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons and section 9(2)(f)(iii) of the Act to maintain the constitutional conventions which protect the political neutrality of officials.

Under section 28(3) of the Act, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this response. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Thank you again for your email.

Mā te wā



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