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Tēnā koe Oliver

Thank you for your email of 18 February 2015 about, Pipitea Childcare Centre. You asked for:

- 1. An overview of all complaints the Ministry received against the Pipitea Childcare centre over the last 10 years (2005-2015). For each complaint:
 - o The nature of the complaint
 - The outcome of the complaint
 - o Any actions the Ministry took as a result of the complaint or investigation
 - Whether an investigation was undertaken and if so the final report of that investigation.
- 2. A list of all investigations the Ministry undertook in regards to this childcare centre within that period, regardless of whether it was an outcome of a complaint or not.

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

Overview of all complaints over the last ten years (2005-2015) the Ministry has received against Pipitea Childcare Centre.

In the last ten years, the Ministry has received four complaints about Pipitea Childcare Centre. Information relating to these complaints is recorded within the Ministry's Filenotes and Early Childhood Education Centre (ECE) logs. I have attached copies of these Filenotes and ECE logs as Appendix A.

The information provided to you details the nature of the complaint, and actions the Centre and the Ministry undertook to resolve the issues identified. Information has been withheld under sections 9(2)(a) of the Act to protect the privacy of natural persons. However, there do not appear to be overriding public interest reasons that support the release of the information withheld.

Information within the last ten years (2005-2015) listing all investigations the Ministry

The Ministry has not undertaken any formal investigations of the Centre. There have been however, reviews relating to the licensing requirements of the service. In accordance with section 16(1)(e) of the Act, I am providing you with a summary of 11 documents which provides you with information about this process. I have listed any issues the Ministry identified and the actions taken by the service. This information is provided in the table attached to this response as Appendix B. Within this timeframe the Education Review Office (ERO) also conducted regular reviews. The most recent review 28/08/2008 can be found online at http://ero.govt.nz/Early-Childhood-School-Reports/Early-Childhood-Reports/Pipitea-Childcare-Centre-05-04-2012.

The Ministry takes all complaints about ECE services seriously and will endeavour to work with the service and complainant to ensure that issues are resolved. This is to ensure the quality of education and care and to ensure the ongoing health and safety of children attending the service.

I trust the information provided is of interest to you. If you are unhappy you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review my response to your request. Contact details are: info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

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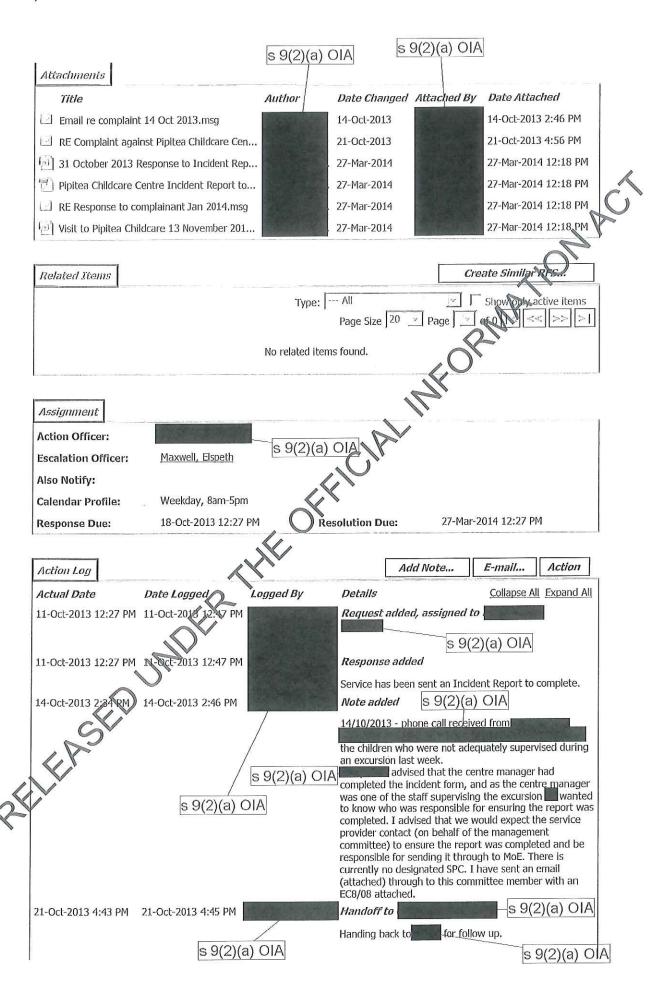
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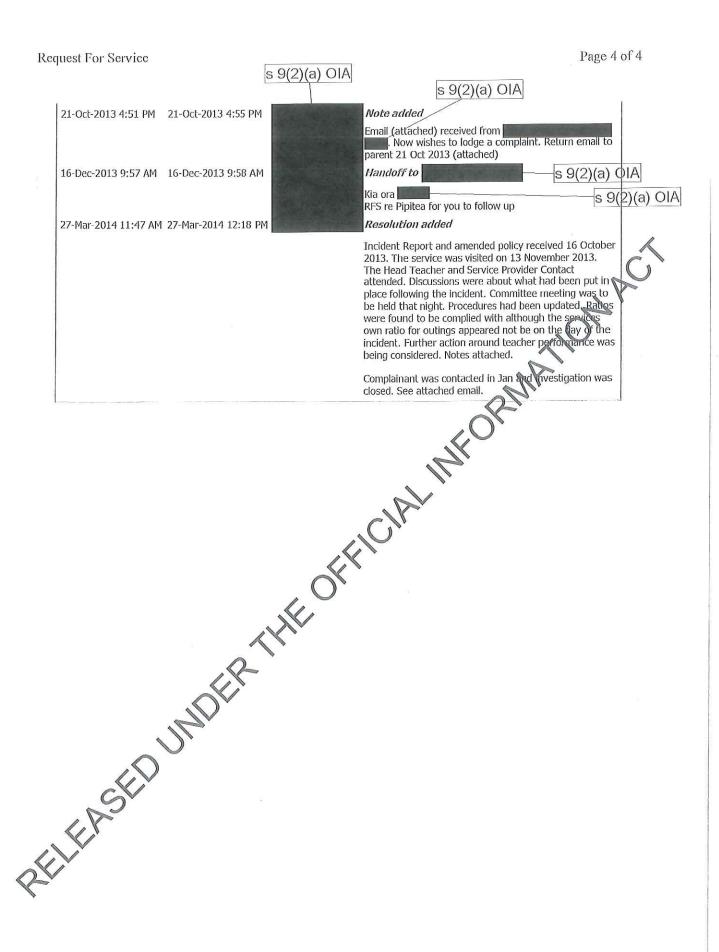
Deputy Secretary

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5. 2nd Escalation	Organisation:		Contact Extensions:	Facility
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	Complainant providing complaint in writing?:	Yes		
	Complaint Management			
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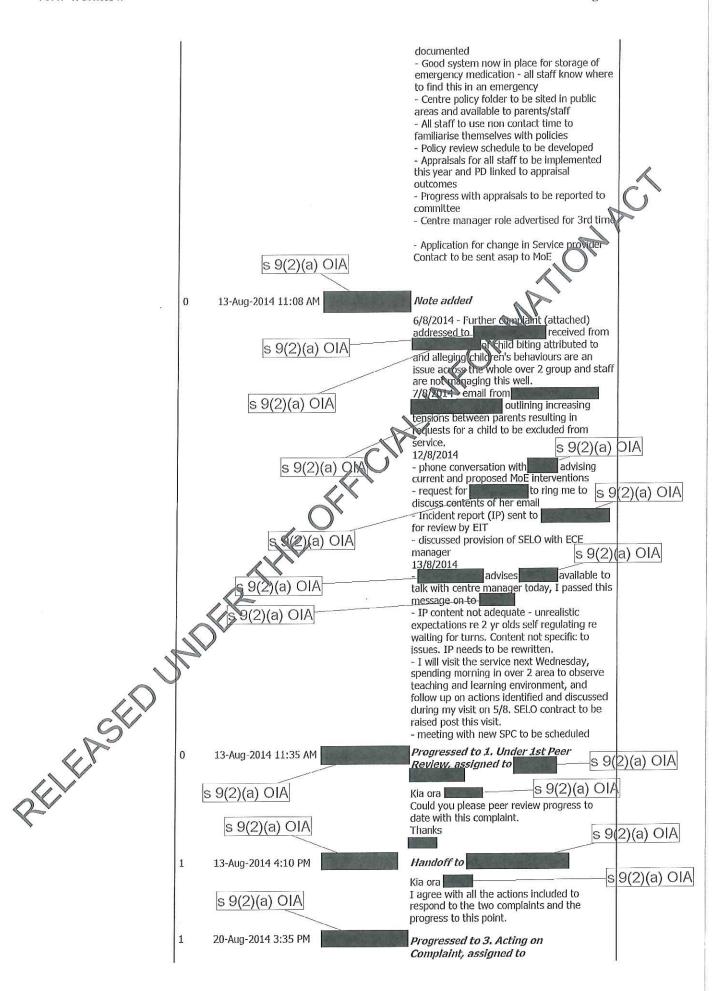
- ongoing biting issues not effectively managed - Hazards/health & safety reports not regular - access to emergency medication - staff not knowing centre policies - parents removing children from service by 25/8/2014 2nd complaint - phone response to complainant - ongoing biting issues - parents looking for alternative ece provision Yes Complainant agrees with record of their complaint?: Type of Incident: Non-Regulatory Complaint Email Acknowledged By: 4-Aug-2014 Complaint Acknowledged On: Acknowledged within 5 Yes Days?: MOE Details Lower Hutt Office Central South Region: Elspeth Maxwell; Ella Tavernor Direct Manager: Investigation Plan No Further Action Required by Ministry: Propose Service Visit: Approved By ECE Propose Unannounced Yes RO/LO Manager?: Visit: Purpose of Health & Safety Investigation: Refer to Apother No Agendy:// 5/8/2014 Visit service to Investigate complaints. Proposed Action: Advise complainants of progress in 2 weeks. 6/8/2014 Further complaint received from parent See notes field detailing ongoing work with key people involved Peer Review Proposed Action Yes Endorsed (PR 1): Do you wish to No escalate? (PR1): s 9(2)(a) OIA Proposed Action No Endorsed (PR2): provided has reported positive changes within the service. Why Not? (PR2): New Centre Manager appointed. Do you wish to No escalate? (PR2): Initital Investigation Actions

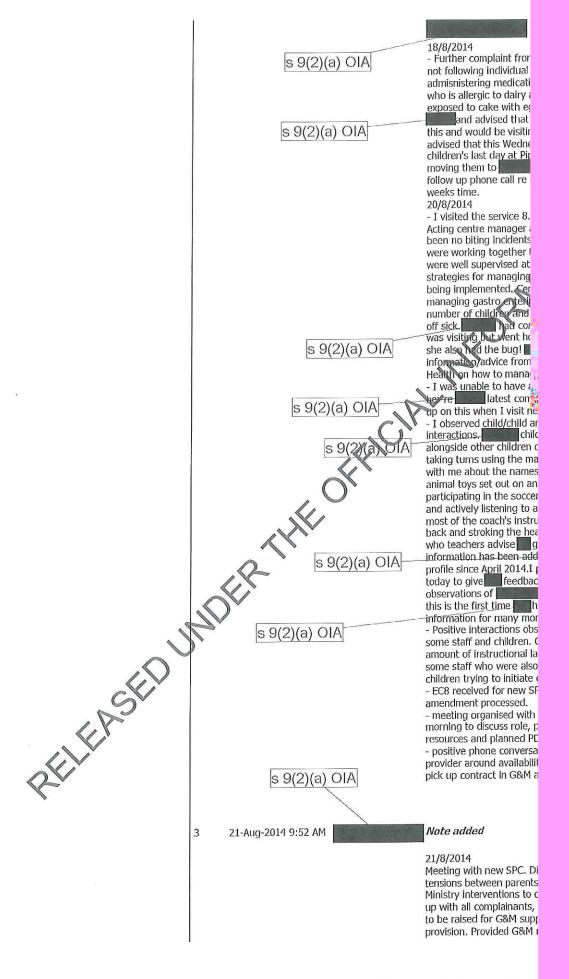
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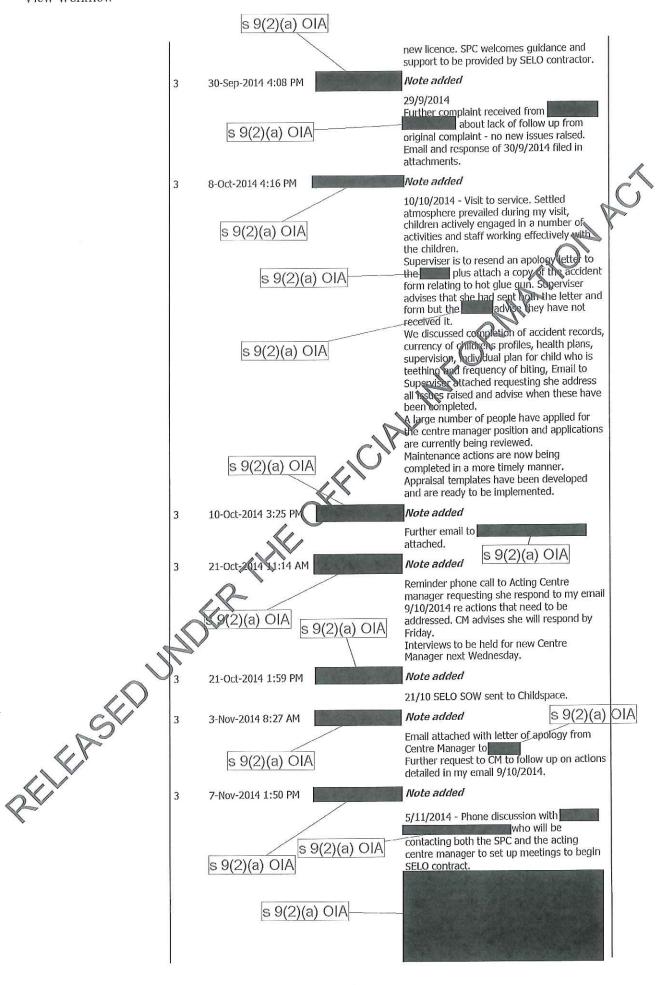
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Breach Could Not Be Determined Informed Yes Parents/Whanau of Investigation: Date of Contact: Ministry Actions Taken: **Summary of Actions** Taken: Licence Amended?: Outcome of Ate CAR Investigation: Final Actions **Decision Summary: Decision Summary** Sent to Complainant: Complaint Outcomes Actions Agreed with Agreed with Service Service On: Attachmen Check Lists Check list 1: Acknowledgement of complaint Complaint in Writing PELLINSED Check List 2: Communication with Informant Communication with Service/Ministry Site Visit Documents Related Complaints, LSMs, File Notes & Enquiry Logs Related LSM: Description No records to display. **Related File Notes:**

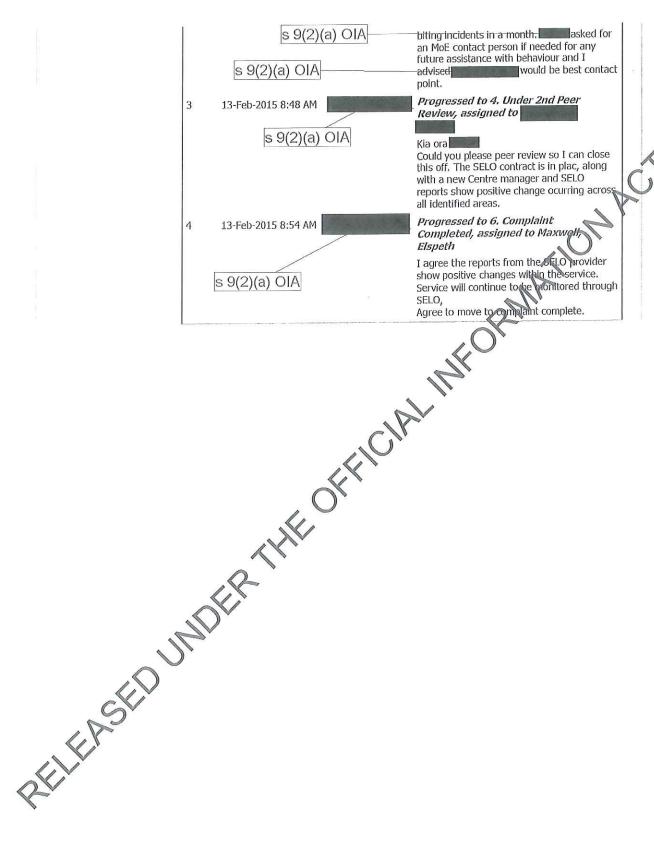
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 Positive guidance policy to be reviewed and understood by all staff and parents
 Hazards/maintenance to be promptly followed up and completion dates









http://knowledgebase.minedu.govt.nz/Shared/WorkflowFive/FiveGeneric-View.asp?ID=284006... 5/03/2015

Appendix B

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19/12/2008 Centre to Ministry ERO report of Centre			ZS.		approval to adult: child ratios prior to any excursion.
	2p	19/12/2008	Centre to Ministry	ERO report of Centre	Confirmation that service has completed the action, provided letter and example.

9	16/07/2010	Ministry to Centre	Funding requirements	Funding requirements explained to centre about
				the 20 hours ECE funding.
7a	18/08/2010	Centre to Ministry	Upgrading premise and licensing	Centre seeking advice on which area they
			requirements	should prioritise for upgrading as it was due for
				relicensing:
7b	24/08/2010	Ministry to Centre	Upgrading premise and licensing	Advised the Centre needs to make assessment
			requirements	about which area should be upgraded.
				Relicensing of premise to be extended out.
8a	13/11/2010	Ministry to Centre	Licensing requirements for temporary	Licensing visit to temporary site, operation hours
			site while renovations underway	limited to temporary site hours.
8b	10/01/2001	Ministry to Centre	Licensing requirements for temporary	Provisional licence issued.
			site while renovations underway	
တ	31/01/2011	Ministry to Centre	Licensing requirements	Full licence issued, service met all requirements
			'n.	for move back to renovated premise.
10a	13/04/2011	Ministry to Centre	Licensing requirements x	Actions to be addressed: Secure shelving, seal
			The street of	paintwork, and provide a completed example of
				documentation used for excursions.
10b	16/06/2011	Ministry to Centre	Licensing requirements	All actions reviewed and centre completed all
			C	actions required for relicensing, full licence
				issued to Centre.
Ξ	05/04/2012	ERO to Centre	ERO report	No specific recommendations centre to be
				reviewed in three years.

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