

# Hon David Seymour



MP for Epsom

Deputy Prime Minister (from 31 May 2025)

Minister for Regulation

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7 February 2024

T Murray

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Dear T Murray

Thank you for your information request dated 18 December 2023.

I met with Treasury officials on 30 November 2023. The following officials from the Treasury attended:

- Dr Caralee McLiesh, Secretary of the Treasury, and
- James Beard, Deputy Secretary Macroeconomics and Growth.

The following documentation was provided at the meeting:

- Regulation BIM,
- Regulation BIM Slides,
- Finance BIM, and
- Fiscal Context Slides.

The Regulation and Finance BIMs, as well as the Fiscal Context slides, are available on the Treasury website: <https://www.treasury.govt.nz/publications/corporate-documents/briefings-incoming-ministers>. The Regulation BIM slides will soon be available on the Treasury website: <https://www.treasury.govt.nz/publications/other-official-information/responses-official-information-act-requests>. Therefore, your request for the documents listed above is refused under section 18(d) of the OIA, as the information is or is soon to be publicly available.

I am refusing the part of your request which relates to my health responsibilities under section 18(d) of the OIA because the information is already publicly available. You can find the information here: <https://fyi.org.nz/request/25279-meeting-with-new-minister#incoming-95615>.

I am withholding under section 9(2)(g)(i) of the OIA any notes taken in these meetings in order to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between or to Ministers of the Crown or members of an organisation or officers and employees of any public service agency or organisation in the course of their duty.

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Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D Seymour', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Hon David Seymour**