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Tēnā koe ED

OIA: 1335715 – information regarding teacher supply

Thank you for your clarified request of 18 September 2024 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- *...all formal written advice from the Ministry to either Minister regarding:*
 - a. teacher supply, staffing and availability. This should include, but certainly not be limited to, any advice around ITE enrollment which are dropping catastrophically.*
 - b. the implications of requiring ncea level 2 on teacher supply, staffing and availability.*
- *To avoid doubt - please include ece in the above request*

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

The Ministry has identified eight documents comprising formal written advice within scope of your request. Please see the document table below which sets out my decision on each paper. Four of the reports are publicly available. Per section 18(d) of the Act links are provided to these documents in the document table. The remaining four documents are withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act to maintain the constitutional conventions for the time being which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers of the Crown and officials.

One further document has been included in the table, which is beyond the scope of your request, as it was sent to the Minister after we received your request. This document is also withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.

All of the withheld documents are in the Ministry's proactive release cycle and will be published, when they are no longer under active consideration by Ministers, at the following link:

[Advice seen by our Ministers – Education in New Zealand](#)

As required under section 9(1) of the Act, I have considered the public interest in releasing the information withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv). I do not consider the public interest considerations



favouring the release of this information are sufficient to outweigh the need to withhold it at this time.

Please note that on 30 August 2024 information was published on the Ministry's website regarding the commencement of targeted stakeholder consultation on the proposal to lift and shift the Teaching Council's ITE functions (sections 479(1)(g-i)) to become functions of the Secretary for Education. This information can be retrieved at the following link:

<https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/information-releases/issue-specific-releases/initial-teacher-education/#sh-ITE>

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review my decision on your request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or to Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā



Anna Welanyk
Hautū | Deputy Secretary
Te Pou Ohumahi Mātauranga | Education Workforce

Document table

#	Date	METIS #	Title	Decision on release
1	17 April 2024	1327108	Education Report: Teacher Supply Budget 24 Bid – Approval of updated funding and appropriation split	Proactively released Signed-ER-1327108-Teacher-Supply-Budget-bid-Approval-of-funding-and-appropriation-split-update-v2.pdf (education.govt.nz)
2	29 April 2024	1325109	Education Report - Overseas and domestic teacher attraction End of 2023-24 financial year media publicity plan	Proactively released 1325109-Overseas-and-domestic-teacher-attraction-end-of-23-24-FY-media-publicity-plan.pdf (education.govt.nz)
3	28 May 2024	1327712	Briefing Note: Release of Data on our Schooling Teacher Workforce and Initial Teacher Education	Proactively released 1327712-Release-ofdata-on-schooling-teacher-workforce-and-ITE.pdf (education.govt.nz)
4	10 June 2024	1329285	Briefing Note: Attracting and supporting teachers back into the profession	Proactively Released 1329285-Attracting-and-supporting-teachers-back-into-the-profession-v2.pdf (education.govt.nz) Some information has been withheld from this briefing under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act
5	3 July 2024	1331154	Education Report: School Onsite Training Programme Implementation Update	Withhold in full. Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.

#	Date	METIS #	Title	Decision on release
6	4 Sept 2024	1332782	Education Report: Improving teacher supply for Kaupapa Māori and Māori medium education – Employment Based Initial Teacher Education	Withhold in full. Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.
7	4 Sept 2024	1335372	Briefing Note: Background information for the meeting with NZEI President	Withhold in full. Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.
8	6 Sept 2024	1335373	Briefing Note: Background information for the meeting with PPTA President	Withhold in full. Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.
9	27 Sept 2024	1336771	Report: Advice about the Teaching Council proposal to introduce a maths entry requirement for primary Initial Education Programmes	Withhold in full. Information has been withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Act.