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Tēnā koe K Stewart

Official Information Act 1982 request: Contracts between MOJ and Community Law Canterbury

Thank you for your email to the Ministry of Justice (the Ministry) of 9 October 2024, requesting under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), information regarding contracts between the Ministry and Community Law Canterbury (CLC). Specifically, you requested:

1. *A copy of the current contracts (including any amendments) between the Ministry of Justice and Community Law Canterbury/Te Ture Whanui O Waitaha Incorporated. This includes, but is not limited to, the general legal services contract and the Family Legal Advice and Information Service contract.*
2. *Information relating to any audits undertaken by the MOJ to ensure contracted targets are being met.*
3. *Information on any other steps taken by MOJ to ensure information provided by Community Law Canterbury is accurate.*

In response to your request, please refer to the attached table, outlining documents that are in scope of your request, and my decision on their release. Some information has been withheld under the following provisions of the Act:

- section 9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons; and
- section 9(2)(ba)(i) to protect information subject to an obligation of confidence

Regarding part three of your request, in addition to the documents being provided, I can advise that CLC submit quarterly reports to the Ministry, as per its outcome agreement. The Ministry reviews the report and will contact the provider if it has any questions. The Ministry also carries out a quarterly monitoring meeting via Microsoft Teams with each CLC provider and an annual in-person meeting with each provider.

If you require any further information, please contact Media & Social Media Manager Joe Locke at media@justice.govt.nz

Please note that this response, with your personal details removed, may be published on the Ministry website at: [Official Information Act responses | New Zealand Ministry of Justice](#)

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to make a complaint to the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. The Ombudsman may be contacted by phone on 0800 802 602 or by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz

Nāku noa, nā

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Hayley MacKenzie
Group Manager, Provider and Community Services (Acting)

Documents in scope of Official Information Act request

| Doc no. | Date | Type | Title | Decision on release |
|---------|------------------|--------------|---|---|
| 1. | 1 July 2023 | Agreement | Outcome Agreement (Bilateral) | Some information withheld under s9(2)(a) of the Act |
| 2. | 6 October 2023 | Letter | Contract Number 19468 Cost-of-living increase and amendment to performance measure – Variation Number 1 | Some information withheld under s9(2)(a) of the Act |
| 3. | 21 December 2023 | Letter | Contract Number 19468 Pathway to Pay Equity – Variation Number 2 | Some information withheld under s9(2)(a) of the Act |
| 4. | 24 April 2024 | Letter | Grant for Family Law Information and Advice Services Pilot | Some information withheld under s9(2)(a) of the Act |
| 5. | February 2021 | Audit Report | Ministry of Justice Audit Report – Community Law Canterbury | Released in full |