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THE TREASURY

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Dear Ti

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on 1 April 2019. You requested the following:

- *All advice given by the Treasury related to the May 2018 budget announcement of additional police officers.*
- *If the Treasury received advice from any other government department about the additional police officers, please provide me with that advice. If that is not possible, please provide me with a list of Departments/Ministries from which advice on the effects of the additional officers was obtained, the date it was received, and the title or the advice document.*

On 17 April 2019, the Treasury asked for clarification of the request and you confirmed that "All advice given by the Treasury related to the May 2018 budget announcement of additional police officers" should be interpreted as all advice prior to the 2018 Budget announcement.

As you are aware, on 18 April 2019 the Treasury extended the date for a decision on your request by 30 working days.

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## Information Being Released

Please find enclosed the following documents.

Item	Date	Document Description	Decision
1.	Undated	Initiative Template: Vote Police – Striving Towards 1800 New Police	Release in full
2.	2 February 2018	Discussion Document: Increasing Police Numbers and the Impact on the Prison Population (provided to the Treasury by New Zealand Police)	Release in full
3.	13 February 2018	Slide Pack: Budget Ministers 1	Release in part
4.	23 February 2018	Annex: Initiatives for Social Wellbeing Workstream Meeting	Release in part
5.	6 March 2018	Aide Memoire: Consultation on Cabinet Paper – Striving Towards 1800 New Police	Release in part
6.	7 March 2018	Annex 1: Draft Packages Budget 2018	Release in part
7.	14 March 2018	Treasury Report: Draft Budget 2018 Packages	Release in part
8.	15 March 2018	Budget 2018 Social Wellbeing Draft Package	Release in part
9.	23 March 2018	Near Final Budget Package: Budget Ministers 3 – Annex	Release in part
10.	3 April 2018	Annex One : Final Package for Budget Ministers 4	Release in part

I have decided to withhold direct dial phone numbers of officials, under section 9(2)(k) of the Official Information Act – to prevent the disclosure of information for improper gain or improper advantage.

Some information has been redacted because it is not covered by the scope of your request. This is because the documents include matters outside your specific request.

## Information Publicly Available

The following information is also covered by your request and is publicly available on the Treasury website.

Item	Date	Document Description	Website Address
11.	2 February 2018	Treasury Report Budget 2018 - Overview and Cost Pressure Assessments (p. 10)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3914202.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3914202.pdf</a>
12.	26 February 2018	Aide Memoire: Material to support the "Social Wellbeing Workstream Meeting" (p. 7)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3924500.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3924500.pdf</a>
13.	7 March 2018	Treasury Report Draft Packages for Budget 2018 (p. 13)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3927470.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3927470.pdf</a>
14.	16 March 2018	Slidepack Budget Ministers 2: Budget 2018 Draft Package (Slide 6)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3931755.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3931755.pdf</a>
15.	20 March 2018	Aide Memoire: Material to Support the Second Wellbeing Workstream Meeting (p. 3)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3933092.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3933092.pdf</a>
16.	22 March 2018	Email: BM3 Material and Outstanding Decisions (p. 2)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3962868.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3962868.pdf</a>
17.	23 March 2018	Slidepack Budget Ministers 2 Near-Final Package (p. 6)	<a href="https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3932368.pdf">https://treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2018-08/b18-3932368.pdf</a>

Accordingly, I have refused your request for these documents under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act - the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

You may also wish to refer to the paper "Striving Towards 1800 New Police" for the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee previously released on the New Zealand Police website: <https://www.police.govt.nz/about-us/publication/striving-towards-1800-new-police>.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Treasury website.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely



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