



**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT**

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On 9 January 2021, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

1. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Disability Issues Hon Carmel Sepuloni in December 2020 from the Office of Disability Issues, a unit within the Ministry of Social Development*
2. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Seniors Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall in December 2020 from the Office for Seniors, a unit within the Ministry of Social Development*
3. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Youth Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan in December 2020 from the Ministry of Social Development*
4. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Social Development and Employment in December 2020 from the Ministry of Social Development*

I will respond to your questions in turn.

1. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Disability Issues Hon Carmel Sepuloni in December 2020 from the Office of Disability Issues, a unit within the Ministry of Social Development*

Table One: Briefings provided by the Office for Disability Issues to the Minister for Disability Issues in December 2020

Title	Date Sent	Report Number
<i>Aide-memoire - Meeting with Access Alliance</i>	2 December 2020	REP/20/11/1156
<i>Report - Donald Beasley Institute (DBI) Housing Reports 2020</i>	3 December 2020	REP/20/12/1168
<i>Report - Disability Support System Transformation: Machinery of Government Scope and Options</i>	4 December 2020	REP/20/11/1145
<i>Aide-memoire - Meeting of the Ministerial Leadership Group on Disability Issues</i>	4 December 2020	REP/20/12/1186

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Report – <i>New Zealand Sign Language Act 2006: Results of initial review</i>	7 December 2020	REP/20/9/1002
Report – <i>The annual report from the Minister for Disability Issues to the House of Representatives</i>	7 December 2020	REP/20/11/1155
Aide-memoire – <i>Phone meeting with the Disability Rights Commissioner</i>	7 December 2020	REP/20/12/1191
Report – <i>Six-monthly report on the Lead and Accessibility Charter work programmes</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1174
Report – <i>Disability Issues Update for the period ending 4 December 2020</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1217
Report – <i>Legislation Programme 2021 - Overview of bids</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1184
Report – <i>Update on Accelerating Accessibility</i>	14 December 2020	REP/20/11/1162

2. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Seniors Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall in December 2020 from the Office for Seniors, a unit within the Ministry of Social Development*

Table Two: Briefings provided by the Office for Seniors to the Minister for Seniors in December 2020

Title	Date Sent	Report Number
Aide-memoire – <i>Attending the Ryman Prize award ceremony</i>	3 December 2020	REP/20/12/1177
Report – <i>November 2020 update on COVID-19 indicators for older people</i>	3 December 2020	REP/20/11/1139
Aide-memoire – <i>Meeting of the Ministerial Leadership Group for Disability Issues</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1210
Report – <i>Seniors Status Report #2</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1192
Aide-memoire – <i>Meeting with the Retirement Commissioner</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1202
Report – <i>Age friendly Aotearoa New Zealand programme</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1227
Aide-memoire – <i>Meeting With Age Concern New Zealand (ACNZ)</i>	14 December 2020	REP/20/12/1200
Report – <i>2021 Queen's Birthday Honours Nominations for Services to Seniors - applications</i>	16 December 2020	REP/20/12/1230

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3. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Youth Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan in December 2020 from the Ministry of Social Development*

Table Three: Briefings provided by the Ministry of Social Development to the Minister for Youth in December 2020

Title	Date Sent	Report Number
<i>Aide-memoire – Meeting with Chair, Partnership Fund Board</i>	4 December 2020	REP/20/12/1189
<i>Aide-memoire – Meeting with Ara Taiohi</i>	7 December 2020	REP/20/12/1196
<i>Aide-memoire – Meeting with The Moko Foundation</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1207
<i>Report – Youth Parliament 2019 Survey Feedback Information</i>	9 December 2020	REP/20/12/1213
<i>Report – Letters for 2020 Women of Influence Awards and The Impact Awards 2020 recipients</i>	9 December 2020	REP/20/11/1118
<i>Report – MYD Work Programme</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1232
<i>Report – Information for Cabinet Office on the Partnership Fund Board members</i>	14 December 2020	REP/20/12/1236
<i>Report – Youth Plan: update on progress and upcoming decisions</i>	15 December 2020	REP/20/11/1067

4. *A list of all briefings sent to Minister for Social Development and Employment in December 2020 from the Ministry of Social Development*

Table Four: Briefings provided by the Ministry of Social Development to the Minister for Social Development and Employment in December 2020

Title	Date Sent	Report Number
<i>Aide-memoire – Meeting with Community Law Centres O Aotearoa</i>	1 December 2020	REP/20/12/1165
<i>Report – Long-term insights briefings</i>	1 December 2020	REP/20/11/1125
<i>Report – 2019/2020 Fourth Quarter Reports: Social Development Crown Entities</i>	1 December 2020	REP/20/11/1127

Title	Date Sent	Report Number
Report – Draw-down from the "Reducing Risk of Critical Systems - Critical Service Delivery Systems" contingencies	2 December 2020	REP/20/11/1150
Report – Wage Subsidy Scheme: quarterly update on our on-going approach to audits and integrity	2 December 2020	REP/20/11/1123
Report – Update on the Tuhoe Service Management Plan recommitment	3 December 2020	REP/20/12/1166
Report – Improving information for carers	3 December 2020	REP/20/11/1148
Report – Draw-down of contingency for "Reducing Risk of Critical Systems - FMIS and Payroll"	3 December 2020	REP/20/10/1030
Report – Expanding eligibility for the Training Incentive Allowance	3 December 2020	REP/20/11/1133
Report – Public release of literature review on international best court support models for victim-survivors of sexual violence	3 December 2020	REP/20/11/1137
Report – The Future of the Community Advisory Group	3 December 2020	REP/20/12/1167
Aide-memoire – K'aute Pasifika's Pan Pacific Hub breaking ground ceremony, 5 December	3 December 2020	REP/20/12/1181
Report – Ministry of Social Development: Quarterly Performance Report - Q1 2020/21	3 December 2020	REP/20/12/1176
Aide-memoire – Visit to Alexandra Service Centre and Seasonal Employers	4 December 2020	REP/20/12/1187
Report – Rent arrears assistance: Update on COVID-19 demand and request for an extension until 30 June 2021	4 December 2020	REP/20/11/1073
Report – Introducing a \$350 "COVID-19 Short-Term Absence Payment"	4 December 2020	REP/20/12/1197
Report – Detailed settings for the COVID-19 Wage Subsidy	4 December 2020	REP/20/12/1190
Report – Update on Flexi-Wage expansion	4 December 2020	REP/20/12/1180
Report – Ministry of Social Development's Risk and Audit Committee Fee for New Appointment	7 December 2020	REP/20/11/1061
Aide-memoire – Pacific Ministers meeting, 7 December	7 December 2020	REP/20/12/1199
Aide-memoire – Youth Horizons Tula'i Pasifika Youth leader's forum	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1205

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<i>Aide-memoire – Oral item - Economic response to future resurgences of COVID-19</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1208
<i>Aide-memoire – Ministerial meeting: Enhancing support for displaced workers and other people who lose their jobs</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1193
<i>Report – Proposed MSD contribution to the Joint Venture for family and sexual violence's Budget 21 process</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1211
<i>Aide-memoire – Meeting Four - Ministerial Group considering class exceptions</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1201
<i>Report – Six-monthly report on the Lead and Accessibility Charter work programmes</i>	8 December 2020	REP/20/12/1174
<i>Aide-memoire – A focused evolution of Regional Economic Development</i>	9 December 2020	REP/20/12/1198
<i>Aide-memoire – Meeting with Auckland Chamber of Commerce</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1206
<i>Report – Joint Ministers' Report: 2020 Half Year Economic and Fiscal update of Benefit Forecasts for Vote Social Development</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/11/1154
<i>Report – Household food hardship and early child nutrition</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/11/1119
<i>Report – Budget 2021 Bilateral</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1173
<i>Report – Summary: Inaugural Nga Matanga Maori Hui</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1223
<i>Report – Ethnic differences in the use and experience of child healthcare services in NZ: an empirical examination</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1175
<i>Report – Social Workers Registration Act 2003: Review 2020</i>	10 December 2020	REP/20/12/1188
<i>Report – Reforming financial assistance and support for caregivers: scope and direction of system reform</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1209
<i>Report – Legislation Programme 2021 - Overview of bids</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1184
<i>Report – 2021 Government Appointments - Social Development and Employment Portfolio</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1214
<i>Report – Update on the Community Capability and Resilience Fund</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1221
<i>Report – Investing in Te Pae Tawhiti - our future</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1228

Title	Date Sent	Report Number
Report – <i>Mana in Mahi - End November Progress Report 2020</i>	11 December 2020	REP/20/12/1194
Aide-memoire – <i>Joint Ministers' Meeting on Government's Response to the RCOI into the mosque attacks</i>	14 December 2020	REP/20/12/1234
Report – <i>Ministerial Update on Social Sector Commissioning work</i>	14 December 2020	REP/20/12/1218
Report – <i>Update on the Joint Initiative: Improving Health, Social and Education Services for Pacific Families</i>	14 December 2020	REP/20/12/1235
Report – <i>Seasonal Labour A3s - December 2020</i>	15 December 2020	REP/20/12/1216
Aide-memoire – <i>Employment, Education and Training Ministers Group meeting</i>	15 December 2020	REP/20/12/1237
Report – <i>Amendments to the Housing Support Assistance Programme</i>	16 December 2020	REP/20/11/1161
Aide-memoire – <i>Auckland City Mission visit</i>	16 December 2020	REP/20/12/1240
Report – <i>Place-Based Initiatives - Further Drawdown of Budget 2019 Early Years Violence Prevention Sites Contingency</i>	16 December 2020	REP/20/11/1160
Report – <i>Initial advice on Flexi-Wage Self-Employment</i>	16 December 2020	REP/20/12/1170
Report – <i>Strengthening oversight of the Oranga Tamariki System Programme - Monthly Progress Report - November 2020</i>	17 December 2020	REP/20/12/1229
Report – <i>Strengthening Independent Oversight of the Oranga Tamariki System: Process update and advice for your consideration and decision</i>	17 December 2020	REP/20/11/1159
Report – <i>Employment Key Messages, December 2020</i>	17 December 2020	REP/20/12/1245
Report – <i>COVID-19 Resurgence planning arrangements for foreign nationals requiring support with accommodation</i>	17 December 2020	REP/20/12/1246
Report – <i>Options for the long-term location of the independent monitor of the Oranga Tamariki System</i>	17 December 2020	REP/20/11/1158
Report – <i>Children's Commissioner - Appointment Process</i>	17 December 2020	REP/20/12/1241
Aide-Memoire – <i>Auckland Contact Centre Visits</i>	18 December 2020	REP/20/12/1247

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The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry of Social Development's website. Your personal details will be deleted and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response regarding briefings sent to Ministers in December 2020, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely



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