



25 September 2024

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 9 September 2024, requesting correspondence with HMS Trust, and agreements between the Trust and the Ministry.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision on your request set out below.

Correspondence

Your request for all correspondence between the Ministry and the HMS Trust over the past 5 years is refused under section 18(f) of the Act, as substantial manual collation would be required to locate and prepare all documents within scope of your request. The greater public interest is in the effective and efficient administration of the public service.

I have considered whether the Ministry would be able to respond to your request given extra time, or the ability to charge for the information requested. I have concluded that, in either case, the Ministry's ability to undertake its work would still be prejudiced.

Agreements

Please find attached **Appendix A**, which contains a list of all agreements the Ministry has had with the HMS Trust over the past decade.

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

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 my decision on your request, 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.

Ngā mihi nui

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