

14 June 2022

Tēnā koe

On 20 March 2022, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

- T2022/336 Treasury / Ministry of Social Development Joint Report: COVID-19 Leave Scheme update and eligibility for State Owned Enterprises and Mixed Ownership Model Companies, dated 25 February 2022
- REP/22/2/138 COVID-19 Update and Responses to Date 25 Feb, dated 25 February 2022
- REP/21/11/1282 2019/20 Employment Assistance Effectiveness Report Findings and the release of the Employment Assistance Evidence Catalogue, dated 25 February 2022
- REP/22/2/038 Initial Briefing to select committee Oversight of Oranga Tamariki System and Children and Young People's Commission Bill, dated 4 February 2022
- Families Package changes to income support and financial incentives for model families – technical companion report, dated 21 January 2022
- REP/22/1/019 Aide-memoire: Operational constraints to deliver the COVID-19 Leave Support Scheme and Short-Term Absence Payment, dated 25 January 2022
- REP/22/1/009 Aide-memoire: Ministerial Meeting with key Taranaki Housing Stakeholders, dated 21 January 2022

Please find the following documents enclosed:

• T2022/336 - Treasury / Ministry of Social Development – Joint Report: COVID-19 Leave Scheme update and eligibility for State Owned

Enterprises and Mixed Ownership Model Companies, dated 25 February 2022

- REP/22/2/138 COVID-19 Update and Responses to Date 25 Feb, dated 25 February 2022
- REP/21/11/1282 2019/20 Employment Assistance Effectiveness Report Findings and the release of the Employment Assistance Evidence Catalogue, dated 25 February 2022

Please note that some information is withheld under section 9(2)(h) of the Act in order to maintain legal professional privilege. The greater public interest is in ensuring that government agencies can continue to obtain confidential legal advice.

You will note that the information regarding some individuals are withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act in order to protect the privacy of natural persons. The need to protect the privacy of these individuals outweighs any public interest in this information.

The document REP/22/2/038 - Initial Briefing to select committee - Oversight of Oranga Tamariki System and Children and Young People's Commission Bill, dated 4 February 2022, is refused under section 18(d) of the Act on the basis that the information requested will soon be publicly available. This information will be published as soon as possible this year.

The document Families Package changes to income support and financial incentives for model families – technical companion report, dated 21 January 2022, is publicly available at the following link:

www.msd.govt.nz/documents/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/evaluation/family-packages/2021/families-package-changes-to-income-support-and-financial-incentives-for-model-families-technical-report.pdf

The Ministry understands that the following two documents have previously been released to you in a separate response:

- REP/22/1/019 Aide-memoire: Operational constraints to deliver the COVID-19 Leave Support Scheme and Short-Term Absence Payment, dated 25 January 2022
- REP/22/1/009 Aide-memoire: Ministerial Meeting with key Taranaki Housing Stakeholders, dated 21 January 2022

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 and
- 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 and attachments on the Ministry'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 to your request for seven documents, 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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