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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your information request dated 22 July 2021. You asked for the following information:

"I understand Harry Tam has applied for a number of funds over the years someone has now raised concerns with me over his invoicing.

Are funding applications published online - apologies if they are and I can't find them.

Is there also a way to review how the funds were spent?"

Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

I can confirm that Te Puni Kōkiri has no current contracts with H2R Research and Consulting Limited.

Our records show that Te Puni Kōkiri has previously entered into two small contracts with H2R Research and Consulting Limited where Harry Tam is listed as a Director. On the first occasion Te Puni Kōkiri provided \$2,200 +GST for an evaluation project over the April to June 2015 period and on the second occasion we provided \$3,000 +GST for a māra kai project over the March 2018 to March 2019 period. Both projects were delivered successfully.

Our funding applications are not published online, however successful recipients of our investments have been published for the last three years as part of the Minister's non-departmental appropriations report. These reports are available on our website at the below links:

www.tpk.govt.nz/en/a-matou-mohiotanga/corporate-documents/vote-maori-development-2018

<u>www.tpk.govt.nz/en/a-matou-mohiotanga/corporate-documents/te-poti-whanaketanga-maori-vote-maori-development</u>

www.tpk.govt.nz/en/a-matou-mohiotanga/corporate-documents/vote-maori-development-2020

I trust my response satisfies your request.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact us at oia@tpk.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi

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Hautū, Te Puni Rangapū ā-Rohe me Whakahaere | Deputy Secretary, Regional Partnerships & Operations