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Tēnā koe 

### **Official Information Act request**

Thank you for your information request dated 9 September 2024. You asked for the following information:

1. *“Has there been any work done on preparing, developing, or drafting amendments to the Waitangi Tribunal legislation? If so, please provide details on the nature of this work and supply any documents relating to that work.*
2. *What specific steps have been taken in the preparation, development, or drafting of amendments to the Waitangi Tribunal legislation? Please describe the processes involved and supply any documents relating to that work.*
3. *Has any legislation been prepared, developed, or drafted that replaces the “Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi”? If so, please outline the nature of this work and supply any documents relating to that work.*
4. *What specific actions have been taken in preparing, developing, or drafting legislation that replaces the “Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi”? Please detail the processes involved and supply any documents relating to that work.”*

Your request was originally made to the Ministry of Justice. On 20 September 2024, the Ministry of Justice transferred your questions 1 and 2 to Te Puni Kōkiri as the administering government agency for Waitangi Tribunal legislation, the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975.

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

Te Puni Kōkiri has not undertaken any work on preparing, developing or drafting amendments to the Waitangi Tribunal legislation. Accordingly, questions 1 and 2 of your request are refused in full under section 18(e) of the Act, as the information requested does not exist.

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](http://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 [uia@tpk.govt.nz](mailto:uia@tpk.govt.nz).

Ngā mihi



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