

19 Hakihea 2024

File Ref: OIA 50334

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

### **Official Information Act request**

Thank you for your information request dated 15 Whiringa-ā-rangi 2024. You requested the following:

*“1. The number of all Ministerial/Departmental items that have been received by your office and your Ministries/Departments from 15 May 2024 until 15 November 2024. Please break these down by workflow: e.g. Ministerial Correspondence, Departmental Official Information Act Requests, etc.*

*2. The standard timeframes set by your office for response, broken down by workflow (e.g. 14 working days for a Ministry to complete an OIA request and send to the Minister's Office for final sign-off, 28 working days to complete and dispatch to requestor the response to Ministerial Correspondence, etc.).*

*3. The number of Ministerial/Departmental items that were completed late at any stage of the process (e.g. an item was late to be sent to the Minister's Office or was late to be sent to the requestor). Please also specify by how many days these items were overdue.*

*4. The number of Ministerial/Departmental items that required and were granted an extension. Please also specify by how many days an extension was granted.*

*If possible, please express the answers for questions 1, 3, and 4 through an excel spreadsheet. I am looking for the actual numbers of Ministerial/Departmental items and not the percentages as published in the Annual Reports.”*

Your request was originally made to the Minister for Māori Development. On 21 Whiringa-ā-rangi 2024, the Minister transferred questions 1, 3, and 4 of your request to Te Puni Kōkiri for response.

Te Puni Kōkiri considered request in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (**Act**).

### **My response**

The information you requested is publicly available or soon to be made publicly available, as outlined in the responses below. Therefore, your request is refused in accordance with section 18(d) of the Act.

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We have interpreted “Ministerial/Departmental items” to mean requests received by Te Puni Kōkiri for formal advice to the Minister for Māori Development and the Minister for Whānau Ora, official information requests made to Te Puni Kōkiri under the Act and parliamentary questions received by the Minister for Māori Development and the Minister for Whānau Ora (written and oral).

Te Puni Kōkiri publishes monthly lists of advice to the Minister for Māori Development and the Minister for Whānau Ora on our website at: [www.tpk.govt.nz/en/mo-te-puni-kokiri/our-people/ministers](http://www.tpk.govt.nz/en/mo-te-puni-kokiri/our-people/ministers). The lists for Mahuru 2024, Whiringa-ā-nuku 2024, and Whiringa-ā-rangi 2024 will be published shortly.

The number of Official Information Act requests completed by Te Puni Kōkiri is reported on a six monthly basis by Te Kawa Mataaho. Information has been published for the six month period ending 30 Pipiri 2024 here: [www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/official-information/oia-statistics](http://www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/official-information/oia-statistics). Information for the six months ending 31 Hakihea 2024 will soon be published by Te Kawa Mataaho.

Parliamentary questions (written and oral) received by the Minister for Māori Development and the Minister for Whānau Ora are published on the New Zealand Parliament website. Written Parliamentary questions are published here: [www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/](http://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/order-paper-questions/written-questions/). Oral Parliamentary questions are published here: [www.parliament.nz/en/pb/hansard-debates/rhr/search](http://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/hansard-debates/rhr/search). You can filter the results by portfolio and date range.

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We have interpreted this question to be in relation to official information requests made to Te Puni Kōkiri under the Act, as these requests have a legislated timeframe for response to requesters.

The number of Official Information Act requests completed within the legislated timeframe by Te Puni Kōkiri is reported on a six-monthly basis by Te Kawa Mataaho. Information has been published for the six month period ending 30 Pipiri 2024 here: [www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/official-information/oia-statistics](http://www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/official-information/oia-statistics). Information for the six months ending 31 Hakihea 2024 will soon be published by Te Kawa Mataaho.

*4. The number of Ministerial/Departmental items that required and were granted an extension. Please also specify by how many days an extension was granted.”*

We have interpreted this question to be in relation to official information requests made to Te Puni Kōkiri under the Act, as these requests may have an extension of time limits under the Act.

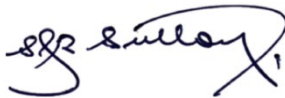
The number of requests subject to an extension by Te Puni Kōkiri is reported on a six-monthly basis by Te Kawa Mataaho. Information has been published for the six month period ending 30 Pipiri 2024 here: [www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/official-information/oia-statistics](http://www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/official-information/oia-statistics) Information for the six months ending 31 Hakihea 2024 be published by Te Kawa Mataaho.

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 [oia@tpk.govt.nz](mailto:oia@tpk.govt.nz).

Naku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Steven Sutton', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Steven Sutton  
Hautū, Te Puni Tapatahi | Deputy Secretary, Governance