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Tēnā koe 9(2)(a)

Thank you for your email, received on 01 October 2024, to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki) requesting information on the Chief Executive's expenses as at June 2024. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have requested:

Under the OIA I request the following:

- 1. The latest CE Expenses as at 30 June 2024 in the absence of them having been published on the OT website per protocol.
- 2. All CE Office emails/teams messages in the last 3 months that specifically relate to CE expense publication. I am asking for key emails or teams messages where the focus of the topic is CE expense publication. Substantial collation or research is negated by the ability for each CE Office staff member to search their outlook and Microsoft teams via the search bar with simple keywords. An exhaustive scan is not necessary nor do I wish to heavily disrupt the operations of the agency.
- 3. The last 4 years' worth of 'approval to publish' emails or messages sent by CE Office staff to the CE/Chief Advisor asking for his/her approval for the data to be published.

I have addressed each of your questions below.

1. The latest CE Expenses as at 30 June 2024 in the absence of them having been published on the OT website per protocol.

The information you have requested will be published on our website in November 2024. This will be published on the Oranga Tamariki website <u>here</u>. As such, this part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act that the information will soon be publicly available.

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- 2. All CE Office emails/teams messages in the last 3 months that specifically relate to CE expense publication. I am asking for key emails or teams messages where the focus of the topic is CE expense publication. Substantial collation or research is negated by the ability for each CE Office staff member to search their outlook and Microsoft teams via the search bar with simple keywords. An exhaustive scan is not necessary nor do I wish to heavily disrupt the operations of the agency.
- 3. The last 4 years' worth of 'approval to publish' emails or messages sent by CE Office staff to the CE/Chief Advisor asking for his/her approval for the data to be published.

Following a search of our records, we have been unable to locate any emails or Teams messages in scope of your request. As such, this part of your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Act, as the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

Oranga Tamariki may make the information contained in this letter available to the public by publishing this on our website with your personal details removed.

I trust you find this information useful. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise them with Oranga Tamariki. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about this is available at <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

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