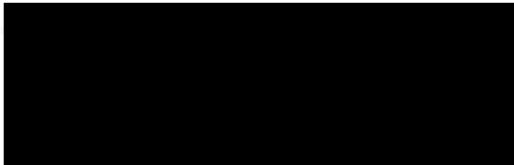




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Dear 

Thank you for your email of 1 May 2017, in which you request the following information:

- *Details of how much money the Ministry [of Education] has received from the sale of Canterbury schools/school sites since 2011, broken down, if possible, by:*
  - a. *the price each school was bought for;*
  - b. *the buyer;*
  - c. *how much of the sale proceeds came back to the Ministry; and*
  - d. *what the Ministry put those funds towards.*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

There have been 11 sales of school sites, comprising a mixture of buildings and land, within Canterbury since 2011. The Ministry of Education (the Ministry) received a total of \$5,175,690 from these 11 transactions, of which it retained \$5,163,739. This was put towards capital infrastructure. The remaining \$11,951, which related to Hinds School, was returned to the Crown.

The sites of the 11 sales noted above, along with the amount and settlement date of each, are listed in the table attached as **Appendix A**.

I am refusing the part of the request which seeks the names of the purchasers in each of the 11 transactions, under section 18(e) of the Act, as this information is already publicly available via Land Information New Zealand.

If you have any questions about this response, please feel free to contact either our Media Team at [media@education.govt.nz](mailto:media@education.govt.nz), or the Acting Manager of the Ministry's Official and Parliamentary Information Team, Helen Walton, at [helen.walton@education.govt.nz](mailto:helen.walton@education.govt.nz) or by phone on 04 439 6488.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kim Shannon', is positioned above the printed name.

Kim Shannon  
**Head of Education Infrastructure Service**

## Appendix A

School	Sale Price (\$)	Settlement Date
Aorangi School <sup>1</sup>	1,910,000	30 June 2014
Aorangi School	1,060,000	30 June 2014
Glenmoor Primary School <sup>2</sup>	515,000	7 February 2017
Glenmoor Primary School <sup>3</sup>	305,000	20 April 2017
Hinds School	11,951	24 November 2014
Le Bons Bay School	365,000	18 January 2016
Lowcliffe School	111,739	11 December 2015
Rakaia School	170,000	13 May 2016
Rangiora West proposed site <sup>4</sup>	429,000	25 September 2015
Sheffield Contributing School	63,000	15 December 2015
Wainoni School <sup>5</sup>	235,000	16 June 2016
Total Received		5,175,690

### Notes

- 1 The two sales at Aorangi School are separate transactions. However, both relate to the site at 36 Colwyn Street, Christchurch.
- 2 This is for the Glenmoor Primary School site at 96 Philpotts Road, Christchurch.
- 3 This is for the neighbouring Glenmoor Primary School site at 100 Philpotts Road.
- 4 This was for land sold to Waimakariri District Council.
- 5 This was only a partial sale of land.