

## Ashleigh Watson

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**From:** Enquiries National  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 14 July 2021 9:26 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** OIA Response - ref 1265827

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 11 July 2021 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- *Any official advice provided to the Government since October 2017 about the Education Review Office's new operating model not yet in the public domain.*

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

We have determined that we hold no information in scope of your request, because all advice provided by the Ministry to the Government related to the new operating model for the Education Review Office (ERO) is already publicly available. Therefore, I am refusing your request under section 18(g) of the Act, as the information requested (being official advice *not yet in the public domain*) is not held by the Ministry.

In these circumstances we would ordinarily transfer your request to the Education Review Office (ERO) for a response. However, I understand you also made an identical request to ERO which is in progress. You can therefore expect to receive a substantive response from ERO directly.

For reference, the publicly available advice in relation to this matter can be found at the following links:

- <https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/background-information/tomorrows-schools-review-cabinet-papers-2019/>
- <https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/tomorrows-schools-review/background-information/tomorrows-schools-review-reports-2019/>
- <https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/information-releases/issue-specific-releases/background-reading-for-a-review-of-tomorrows-schools/>
- <https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/information-releases/advice-seen-by-our-ministers/>

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes OIA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your letter. 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

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