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Tēnā koe

OIA: 1319362 – Information about the performance of selected government agencies in New Zealand

Thank you for your email of 19 November 2023 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- 1. Please confirm:
 - I. your audited annual revenue for the past three financial years.
 - II. your total capital expenditure (separately) for the past three financial years. Please provide separately the classification of capital expenditure i.e. land, buildings, plant and equipment, intangibles etc.
 - III. your total operating expenditure for the past three financial years
 - IV. your amount of total debt, net debt and total equity at balance date for the past three financial years.
 - V. whether any business combinations occurred in any of the past three financial years.
 - VI. which firm (e.g. Audit NZ, Deloitte, PwC etc) has undertaken an audit for you in each of the past three financial years.
- 2. Can you please confirm what facilities management and outdoor spaces management contracts you have in place, including scope, contractor providing the services, term of the contract, and contracted annual revenue?

"Facilities management" including building operations and maintenance, cleaning, grounds maintenance, and similar.

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

As advised in our letter to you on 15 December 2023, I am refusing **parts 1(a) – (iv) and (vi)** of your request under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information requested is publicly available in the Ministry's Annual Reports at the following links:

• 2020/21 Annual Report - https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/publications/annual-report-2021/.



- 2021/22 Annual Report https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/publications/annual-report/annual-report-2022/#annualreport2022.
- 2022/23 Annual Report https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/publications/annual-report-2023/#sh-Annual%20Report.

In response to **part 1(v)** of your request, I can advise that there were no business combinations in any of the past three financial years.

In response to **part 2** of your request, we have interpreted facilities management to refer to these services at Ministry corporate offices only. The Ministry has one contract, with Colliers New Zealand, to provide a National Facilities Management Service. The contract provides a Facilities Management Service for buildings, furniture and fittings across all of the Ministry's leased and freehold corporate offices. This end-to-end service includes call centre services, allocation and completion of work, all planned and reactive facility management activities, subcontractor/third parties sourcing and management, data collection & reporting, compliance activities including Health & Safety and site inspections as required, emergency management and business continuity preparedness.

I am withholding the term and value of this contract under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the act, as the release of this information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the Colliers New Zealand.

As required under section 9(1) of the Act, I have considered the public interest in releasing the information withheld. I do not consider the public interest considerations favouring the release of this information are sufficient to outweigh the need to withhold it at this time.

Please note, 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 email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review my decision on your request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or to Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā

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