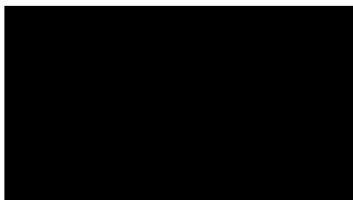




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Thank you for your email of 13 April 2018, to the Ministry of Education (The Ministry) requesting the following information:

- *Policy One funding allocated to St Mary's School, Avondale, Auckland for the year 2017. Please note this is an integrated school (Catholic School Auckland Diocese).*

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

The Ministry of Education (The Ministry) provides Proprietors of state-integrated schools with funding to modernise and upgrade their integrated school property. This funding is known as 'Policy One' funding and fulfils a similar purpose to the 5 Year Agreement funding the Ministry provides to state schools. It is then the responsibility of the Proprietor (The Bishop of Auckland) to prioritise capital works across their entire portfolio; in this case encompassing 52 schools.

Under the terms of the Integration Agreement the proprietor can pool the funding as per the below:

- It is understood and accepted that, where a Proprietor owns more than one school, or in the case of a Cooperative or Diocese, Policy One funding may be pooled. This needs to be reflected in Policy One capital development plans, which form part of the School's 10 Year Property Plan, and in accounting records.
- Proprietors with more than one school acknowledge that schools have different needs, which will be reflected in the distribution of Policy One funding. Allocations to schools will vary from year to year.

The Ministry does not 'allocate' Policy One funding directly to the schools. Each school in a Proprietor's portfolio generates Policy One funding based on its roll. It is calculated in November and the sum paid to the Proprietor in quarterly payments each year. The funding is based on the annual state school depreciation expense. In this way, the rate of modernisation funding is the same as that provided to state non-integrated schools.

The table below shows the total amount of Policy One funding generated by St Mary's School, Avondale, in 2017:

St Mary's School (Avondale)				
Policy One Funding for the 2017 calendar year				
Year	Funding Roll	Net	GST	Total
2017	180	\$117,086.96	\$17,563.04	\$134,650.000

You can find more information about Policy One funding on our website at:
<http://www.education.govt.nz/school/property/integrated-schools/paying-for-capital-work/policy-one-funding-for-capital-work/>.

If you are unsatisfied with my response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review it. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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