



**Te Tāhū Hauora**  
Health Quality & Safety  
Commission

5 March 2024

By email: [REDACTED]

Tēnā koe [REDACTED],

**Re: Official information request**

I refer to your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Official Information Act) dated 9 February 2024. You have asked for copies of:

1. Any correspondence received by you between 1 December 2023 and today from your agency's responsible minister, the Minister of Finance, Treasury, or any other Minister of Agency regarding the fiscal sustainability programme, including any savings required by your agency.
2. Any letters of expectation or guidance from Te Kawa Mataaho received by you between 1 December 2023 and today regarding change management or employment relations.

Te Tāhū Hauora Health Quality & Safety Commission (Te Tāhū Hauora) has completed your request below.

*Correspondence received regarding the fiscal sustainability programme, including any savings required by Te Tāhū Hauora*

Te Tāhū Hauora has not received any specific correspondence regarding the fiscal sustainability programme, or any savings required between 1 December 2023 and 9 February 2024. Therefore, we are unable to provide you with this information (section 18(e) of the Official Information Act).

However, we are currently working with Manatū Hauora on our Vote appropriations for the 2024/25 financial year, as is standard practice each year.

*Letters of expectation or guidance from Te Kawa Mataaho regarding change management or employment relations*

Te Tāhū Hauora received a letter from Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission on 8 January 2024 seeking feedback on the draft Government Workforce Policy Statement

(GWPS), which was provided as an attachment. The correspondence seeking feedback is attached as item 1.1.

Te Tāhū Hauora has made the decision to withhold the draft GWPS under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act, which is the provision which protects the confidentiality of advice tended by officials.

At the time of writing, no final decision has been made on the GWPS by Ministers and Cabinet. Therefore, given that information related to the GWPS is still being considered by Ministers, the public release of the GWPS at this time poses a risk of prejudicing that decision making process.

If you have any queries, please feel free to contact us at [info@hqsc.govt.nz](mailto:info@hqsc.govt.nz). If you would like to add any additional information relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that this can be included.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or by calling 0800 802 602.

**Please note that Te Tāhū Hauora publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address, or contact details.**

Nāku noa, nā



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