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Official Information Request Our Ref: OIA 2024-0138

I refer to your official information request received on 30 May 2024 where you have asked for the following:

- All initiatives, if any, that were submitted but not funded through Budget 2024.
- All correspondence, if any, with the Minister of Finance's Office, including but not limited to letters, emails and text messages, regarding initiatives that were submitted but not funded through Budget 2024.
- All correspondence, if any, with your Minister's Office, including but not limited to letters, emails and text messages, regarding initiatives that were submitted but not funded through Budget 2024.
- All initiatives, if any, that were scaled for Budget 2024, including the initial funding request of the initiative and the final funded level.
- All correspondence, if any, with the Minister of Finance's Office, including but not limited to letters, emails and text messages, regarding initiatives that were scaled for Budget 2024
- All correspondence, if any, with your Minister's Office, including but not limited to letters, emails and text messages, regarding initiatives that were scaled for Budget 2024

Information not held

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission (the Commission) did not submit any unsuccessful or scaled initiatives through Budget 2024. As a result, there is no correspondence between the Commission and the Minister for the Public Service's office or the Minister of Finance's office regarding unsuccessful or scaled Budget 2024 initiatives.

We are therefore refusing your request under section 18(e) of the Official Information Act 1982, on the grounds the information does not exist.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Ministerial.Services@publicservice.govt.nz.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's website.

Yours sincerely

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