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Official Information Request
Our Ref: OIA 2024-0317

I refer to your official information request received on 15 October 2024 for:

"Advice regarding the setup of the Charter School Agency prior to the passing of the Education and Training Amendment Bill (2024)".

Information being released

Please find outlined in the table below, documents in scope of your request relating to the Charter School departmental agency, which are publicly available on Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission's and the Ministry of Education's website at the links also provided for in the table.

Item	Date	Document Description	Decision
1	16 February 2024	2024-0046 - REPORT - Institutional arrangements for implementing the charter school model	https://www.publicservice.govt. nz/assets/DirectoryFile/2024- 0046-REPORT-Institutional- arrangements-for- implementing-the-charter- school-model.pdf
2	1 March 2024	2024-0063 - REPORT - Draft Cabinet paper on institutional arrangements to support charter schools	https://www.publicservice.govt. nz/assets/DirectoryFile/2024- 0063-REPORT-Cabinet-paper- on-institutional-arrangements- to-support-charter-schools.pdf
3	6 March 2024	2024-0073 – AIDE MEMOIRE - Cost of a departmental agency for charter schools further advice	https://www.publicservice.govt. nz/assets/DirectoryFile/2024- 0073-AIDE-MEMOIRE-Cost-of-a- departmental-agency-for- charter-schools-further- advice.pdf
4	25 March 2024	2024-0094 – AIDE MEMOIRE - Cabinet papers for Social Outcomes Committee (SOU) on Charter Schools	https://www.publicservice.govt. nz/assets/DirectoryFile/2024- 0094-AIDE-MEMOIRE-Cabinet- papers-for-SOU-on-Charter- Schools.pdf

5	27 March 2024	CABINET PAPER and CABINET MINUTES - Public Service Institutional Arrangements for Implementing Charter Schools - Kura Hourua	Ministry of Education Website
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Accordingly, I am refusing your request under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982, on the grounds the information requested is or soon will be publicly available. Some relevant information has been removed from documents listed in the above table and should continue to be withheld under the OIA, on the grounds described in the documents.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Enquiries@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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