



Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

14 November 2024

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Official Information Request

Our Ref: PSCR 2024-0020

I refer to your official information request received on 4 November 2024 where you asked:

"I am requesting details from the Ministry of education on the following:

Reports, advice, emails from their contracted arborist to Avondale College prior to the 7th October 2024. Specifically on the arborist advice provided on the giant trees behind the batting cages at the end of their field.

As on the 7th October a giant tree branch from the neighbouring Avondale college property smashed into my mothers car in her property line, writing it off and the college advised they have tree contractors come to check the trees so I would like details on advice provided by the contracted arborist to Avondale college and dates of when they had their scheduled trims prior to the 7th October 2024."

Our response

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission does not hold the information you have requested.

In these circumstances, we are required to transfer your request under section 14(b) of the Official Information Act 1982 to the agency we believe holds the information. While consulting with the Ministry of Education for the purposes of the transfer, they advised that they have received the same request directly from you and will be responding to you. Therefore, we do not see it necessary to formally transfer your request on this occasion.

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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