



Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

12 December 2024

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Official Information Request

Our Ref: PSCR 2024-0072

I refer to your official information request received on 14 November 2024. For ease of reference, I have listed each of your questions and our response directly below.

- 1. i refer to sir brian roche , ps commissioner apology on your website dated 12 nov 2024. sir brian states ---there is much to do. i request hard copies of all documents containing decisions , firstly about --reinforcing and strenghtening the standards of integrity and conduct that are expected of all public servants'*

There are no documents containing decisions about reinforcing the standards of integrity and conduct of public servants. I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(g) of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) on the grounds the information does not exist.

- 2. the avenues for speaking up through public service wide integrity programme. if these decisions come under section 22 oi act i request hard copies of all such policies, rules , guidelines or practices about the subjects stated above and the date of their implementation.*

Enclosed and listed in the table below are documents within scope of your request, including the dates they were issued. These documents are publicly available on the Commission's website in the links provided in the table below.

Item	Date	Document Description	Website address
1	1 July 2022	Model Standards: Speaking up in the Public Sector	https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/guidance/guide-he-aratohu/model-standards/speaking-up-in-the-public-sector
2	1 July 2022	Guidance: Protected Disclosures (Protection of Whistleblowers) Act 2022	https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/publications/protected-disclosures-act-2022

3. *i request hard copies of documents which show how public service commissioner is working with crown agencies to provide assurance that claims of individual public servant mis conduct made in the royal commission report about abuse are addressed. all relevant documents are requested.*

There are two documents within scope of your request that I have decided to withhold in full under one or more of the following sections of the OIA, as applicable:

- section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people.
- section 9(2)(f)(iv) – to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA.

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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