

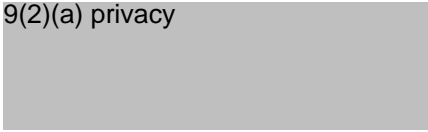


Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

6 December 2024

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Official Information Request

Our Ref: PSCR 2024-0074

I refer to your official information request received on 14 November 2024 for:

"In September the Commission told the Public Service Minister it would "undertake a wider review of how our Hybrid working and the Flexible by Default guidance give effect to the Government Workforce Policy Statement. Can I please get a copy of the review".

Our Response

Following the Minister's announcement on 24 September 2024, Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission (the Commission) has reviewed the existing *Hybrid working and the Flexible by Default guidance* and commenced consultation with agencies and unions. The Commission is currently reviewing feedback received from agencies and unions in regard to the guidance.

Once finalised the guidance will be published on the Commission's website.

Information being withheld

Therefore, I have decided to withhold in full the guidance that is currently under review under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) in order to maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials for the time being. 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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