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Tēnā koe Victoria

Thank you for your email of 30 September 2021 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

[Since the last general election but including any documentation or work from before the election that has remained relevant.]

- 1. a list of EdTech advisors, partners, stakeholders, and participating education providers or groups;*
- 2. any planning, strategy, or discussion documents relating to the implementation of EdTech initiatives, and note how they relate to initiatives at other ministries or institutions;*
- 3. and note any relevant procurement contracts that have been awarded or are being prepared for tender.*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Our response to your individual questions has been outlined below:

Part one: a list of EdTech advisors, partners, stakeholders, and participating education providers or groups

I am providing you with the attached list as **Appendix A**. We have defined EdTech as software and hardware that is designed for the purpose of contributing to teaching and learning outcomes directly.

As these are working documents and not formal stocktakes, they are not guaranteed to contain all possible items under each category. We do not hold a full list but have provided the information based on our knowledge at this time. As such I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act, but we are providing you with some information to be helpful.

Part two: any planning, strategy, or discussion documents relating to the implementation of EdTech initiatives, and note how they relate to initiatives at other ministries or institutions

We are providing you with two key strategy documents owned by the Ministry in full as the attached **Appendix B**. These documents are the key materials the Ministry have developed in the timeframe you noted. To search through every planning, strategy, or discussion document would be a significant task as the Ministry is consistently working to improve

education for all ages and as such, we are refusing the planning and discussion documents under section 18(f) of the Act due to the substantial collation involved.

The strategy documents we are providing in full are as follows:

- *Education for the Digital Age Mātauranga mo te Tau Marama: Case for Change and Next Steps*
- *Education System Digital Strategy: Transforming Education for the Digital Age 2015-2020.*

Please note that the Education System Digital Strategy is currently being revised. Consultation is scheduled to commence in 2022 through six online workshops planning for further EdTech needs.

For part three of your request, we are providing a list of relevant procurement contracts as the attached **Appendix C**. As per part one of your request, these are working documents and not formal stocktakes, they are not guaranteed to contain all possible items under each category. We do not hold a full list but have provided the information based on our knowledge at this time.

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes OIA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.



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