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Tēnā koe Marcus

**OIA: 1322372 - Historical timeline of acquisition of new school sites**

Thank you for your email of 5 February 2024 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

*Please provide the following information for the ten most recent newbuild school development projects. These can be anonymised if required.*

*Please note this information is required where land is acquired from a private owner for the purpose of building a new school, not where the land is already owned by you, another Ministry, or local Government.*

*A: Region/Area - general area is OK if this could disclose private data.*

*B: Type of school (i.e. primary or secondary).*

*C: Month and year that negotiations with land owner commenced.*

*D: Month and year that negotiations with land owner concluded - and whether the PWA was invoked to acquire the land.*

*Please also advise month and year that negotiations with the landowner for the proposed new "Kumeu College" site commenced.*

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

The Ministry needs to extend the timeframe for responding to your request, pursuant to section 15A(1)(a) and 15A(1)(b) of the Act, as the request is for a large quantity of information or necessitates a search through a large quantity of information and as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the Ministry. You can now expect to receive a response to your request on or before 4 April 2024, which is an extension of 20 working days.



You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to investigate our decision to extend the timeframe for responding to this request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Walton', written in a cursive style.

Helen Walton  
**Principal Advisor**  
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