



**Te Tari Taiwhenua  
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Dear Jarc

**Request for information (OIA 2324-0711)**

Thank you for your request for information dated 9 March 2024 made under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) to the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department). You requested the following information:

*I am requesting a complete list of the maintenance issues currently occurring at Premier House.*

*Additionally, is there a list containing estimated costs and completion times for the various issues?*

**Response to your request**

The Premier House Board produced a report titled '*Long-term Stewardship of Te Whare Pirimia – Premier House*'. The Premier House Board report provides in depth detail about the condition of Premier House and the upgrades and maintenance required. The report also provides options, timeframes, and indicative costs for the proposed upgrades.

The Department has proactively released the Premier House Board report on our website. You can view the report at: [www.dia.govt.nz/Proactive-Releases#MS](http://www.dia.govt.nz/Proactive-Releases#MS). Therefore, Section 18(d) of the Act applies because the information is publicly available.

I have also attached a table that details recent repairs and maintenance works at Premier House as **Appendix A**.

Premier House is funded from the *Official Residences – Maintenance Costs* category of the *Services Supporting the Executive Multi Category Appropriation (MCA)*. The Department releases information related to the funding of this appropriation each year in our Annual Reports which can be viewed at [www.dia.govt.nz/Publications-and-Reports](http://www.dia.govt.nz/Publications-and-Reports).

If you have any concerns with the information in this response, you have a right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Act. Information on how to do this is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Briget Ridden', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Briget Ridden**

General Manager – Ministerial Services

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## Appendix A:

**Table of recent maintenance (23 November 2023 – 24 February 2024) at Premier House**

Activity	Cost	Comment
Painting	\$45,714	Includes five bedrooms, four bathrooms, walls, and ceilings - current paintwork is circa 1990 and showing substantial wear and tear.
Furniture repairs/refurbishment	\$4,206.55	Replace damaged wardrobe mirror, clean and re-stain of outdoor furniture and furniture repairs.
Full exterior washdown of building	\$6,292.26	Full washdown which includes machinery and abseiling equipment.
Air conditioning installation	\$25,432.65	Includes units, labour, and ducting in roof cavity. Location of the cooling system and installation impacted by age, size, and scale of building (external ducting works were required).
Service commercial kitchen	\$391.86	Services repair of gas appliances.
Removal of large curtain pelmets	\$1,099.05	
Wall repair	\$2,537.02	
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$85,673.39</b>	