

# Hon Chris Hipkins

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Ref: OIA0844

Harry Peterson  
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Dear Harry,

Thank you for your email of 24 August 2022 requesting the following information:

- *All documents and Cabinet papers mentioning Whangārei in relation to infrastructure and health funding decisions from the date beginning October 2017.*

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

I have identified two papers in scope of your request: *Improving the condition of the school portfolio* and *National Education Growth Plan to 2030*.

I am refusing your request for information under section 18(d) of the Act, as this information is already publicly available.

For your convenience these two papers can be found at the following links:

- <https://www.education.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Ministry/Information-releases/2018-releases/Improving-the-Condition-of-the-School-Portfolio-incl-Appendices-Reda-.pdf>
- <https://assets.education.govt.nz/public/Documents/Ministry/Budgets/Budget2019/NEGP/NEGPCabPaper.pdf>

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](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'CH', written over a light blue horizontal line.

**Chris Hipkins**  
**Minister of Education**