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Tēnā koe M Grange

OIA: 1326007 - Enrollment zone and RTLB relocation at Rewa Rewa School

Thank you for your email of 28 March 2024 to the Ministry of Education requesting various information relating to Rewa Rewa School.

Thank you for your supplementary email on 12 April 2024, clarifying your request to be for the following information below:

Issue 1: The school zone at Rewa Rewa School

- We are requesting all correspondence, documentation, txt messages, and diary data between the Minster, Ministry officials, RTLB, and opposition MPs relating to: Any proposed zoning changes in the Newlands/Paparangi primary school catchment area in 2023/2024. These enrolment zones would effect Rewa Rewa School, Newlands School, Paparangi School, and Bellvue School
- Any changes to the enrolment zone of Rewa Rewa School specifically relating to: Limiting the existing school/enrolments zone in scope. The population data and population projections underpinning these discussions and decisions. Any local community views or investigation on any changes to Rewa Rewa School's enrolment zone.

Issue 2: The occupancy of Resource Teachers: Learning and Behaviour ('RTLB') Service located at Rewa Rewa School.

• We are requesting all correspondence, documentation, txt messages, and diary data between the Minster, Ministry officials, RTLB, and opposition MPs relating to:

Any potential reasons why and when RTLB could exit or relocate/move premises (for example, what happens if the host school's roll increases, the viability of the RTLB service at this site, any Ministry reasons for relocation).



- There are two relevant date ranges for this request:
 - Throughout 2018 as the date of occupancy of RTLB is 4/12/2018.
 - Throughout 2023 and 2024 when discussions and communications with the Rewa Rewa School Board/Principal happened with Ministry officials regarding the relocation of RTLB.
 - Discussions in 2023 and 2024 around what other sites are available for RTLB relocation.
 - Site visits by Ministry staff in 2023 and 2024 to host sites/schools/offices in the Wellington region that might be options for RTLB relocation.
 - Discussions in 2023 around the expenditure and viability of RTLB at Rewa Rewa School, including any short- or long-term forecasting, cap-ex spending rules, costs of relocation, and floor space calculations for schools vs RTLB.
 - Any local community views in 2023 about RTLB on site at Rewa Rewa School.
 - The 2023 offer of modular classrooms by the Ministry to Rewa Rewa School.

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 25 June 2024, which is an extension of 30 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 or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā

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