

5 November 2020

N J Mete

By email: fyi-request-13927-0243d07c@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe N J Mete

Official information request relating to the TEC's Hardship Fund for Learners

I refer to your request for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) dated **7 October 2020**:

- 1. "How much funding has Victoria University received from [the Tertiary Education Commission's] hardship fund?
- 2. Of that funding, how much has gone to students to cover the cost of their University accommodation [(that being all 14 halls listed here, regardless of whether or not they are directly owned/managed by VUW)] "

The Act requires that we advise you of our decision on your request no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. Unfortunately, it will not be possible to meet that time limit and we are therefore writing to notify you of an extension of the time to make our decision. We will endeavour to provide a response to your request as soon as possible, and no later than **3 December 2020.**

This extension is necessary because the consultations necessary to make a decision on your request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact me at oiarequests@vuw.ac.nz.

Yours sincerely

Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington