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Dear Tony

Thank you for your email of 11 September 2014 requesting:

- *A list of all schools that have initiated or completed the process of becoming a digital hub for their community.*

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

The Ministry formalised a process for schools to become digital community hubs in January 2014. Prior to that time the Ministry did not record the decisions of school boards to become digital community hubs. We have therefore taken your request to apply from January 2014 to the time that your request was made.

We have interpreted "*initiated or completed the process of becoming a digital hub*" to mean when a school board has submitted a Third Party Occupancy application to the Ministry. This process is outlined in the Ministry document, "*Guidelines for Schools and Boards of Trustees*" which can be found at:

<http://www.minedu.govt.nz/theMinistry/EducationInitiatives/UFBInSchools/DigitalHubs.aspx> (under documents and information).

Since January 2014 the Ministry has not received any Third Party Occupancy applications from schools wishing to become digital community hubs.

You may wish to read the report "Schools as Digital Community Hubs" released by the 2020 Communication Trust in February 2014. This report does mention some schools that are digital community hubs and can be seen at:

<https://internetnz.net.nz/content/School-Digital-Community-Hubs-PDF>.

I hope you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely

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