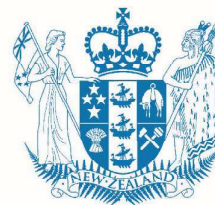


# Hon Nicola Willis

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Joshua Drummond  
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Dear Joshua

Thank you for your request made under the Official Information Act, received on 24 May 2024. You requested:

*I am requesting the complete list of "self-help management books" prescribed to ministers and public department heads by Prime Minister Christopher Luxon, as described by Minister Willis in a New Zealand Herald profile by Claire Trevett. The relevant quote is excerpted below:*

*"Willis admits she has not read the list of self-help management books Luxon has prescribed to everyone from ministers to public department heads - the same public sector heads she is in charge of as Public Service Minister."*

*In my view, it is vital to New Zealand's democracy to understand what material the Prime Minister specifically requests to be read by ministers and public department heads. Furthermore, the release of this information would be edifying to the nation's business leaders, serving to enhance their corporate acumen. I believe that the release of this vital information could spark economic growth, increasing GDP by as much as 0.1 percent.*

I believe that the information you have requested is more closely connected to the functions of the Prime Minister. Accordingly, I have decided under section 14(b)(ii) of the Official Information Act to transfer your request to the Rt Hon Christopher Luxon, as the Prime Minister.

The Prime Minister has 20 working days from receipt of this transfer to make a decision on your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicola Willis'.

Hon Nicola Willis  
**Minister of Finance**