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Dear Mr Hall

Thank you for your email of 24 June 2015 requesting the following documents and information in relation to Te Mata Primary School:

1. *Statistics demonstrating that Te Mata Primary School in its current configuration can support its current school community (as defined by "school zone") and*
2. *Will be able to continue to support the zoned community following the release of land for residential development as defined in the HPUD's report for future residential development (<http://www.hpuds.co.nz/>) & the DRAFT Hastings District Plan (<http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/draftdistr...>) Particularly Arataki & Brookvale residential subdivision developments whose closest primary school is Te Mata.*
3. *Statistics which demonstrate that the new subdivisions (above) including the immediate surrounding area including specific demographics will NOT require primary education facilities in the future.*
4. *MoE analysis showing that a primary school is NOT required at the Arataki Motor camp for the future generations of this area.*
5. *Summary of that analysis as given to the Minister of Education.*

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

Question One

As at the March 2015 roll return Te Mata School (the School) had a roll of 551 students, and of these 161 were recorded as out of zone. The School is predicting a peak roll in 2015 of 602 students. The School's current capacity, based on its last peak roll (2014) is 593 student spaces. At the end of this year the School is indicating a deficit of 9 student spaces, which would equate to an operating capacity of approximately 102% of its previous peak capacity.

Roll predictions provided by the School for 2015- 2017 indicate there is suitable on-site classroom provision to accommodate its current community, including the existing out of zone students.

The School is anticipating that the number of new entrants will remain relatively stable around the early 100 mark between 2015-2017. During the same time the school will lose a total of 67 out of zone students based on the March 2015 roll figures (18 at the end of 2015, 25 in 2016 and 24 in 2017). This would increase the School's capacity, provided the School restricted its out of zone enrolments.

The Ministry is confident that there is spare capacity at Te Mata School within its current zone, provided that the School actively reduces its out of zone roll. Even so, the Ministry is currently liaising with Te Mata School regarding an amendment to the School's existing home zone. The proposed amendment seeks to extend the current home zone to include Stage 2 of the Arataki subdivision to ensure the School doesn't exclude more local students than is necessary to avoid overcrowding.

Question Two and Question Three

In 2009 a demographic report was commissioned by the Ministry as part of the Designation application to Hastings District Council. It was estimated that an additional 626 households would be created in the Te Mata Census Area Unit between 2006-2026. This was expected to yield an additional 145 students aged 5-10 years. It was estimated that approximately 50% of these would reside within the Stage 2 Arataki subdivision. Based on this percentage it was estimated the Stage 2 subdivision could result in an additional eighty 5-10 year olds within the network.

In the report the projected network capacity figures included 200 students who lived outside the study area but who attended a school in the Havelock North network. The Ministry's Property Entitlement policy states that only those students who live within zone can be considered for additional property provision. Students who are enrolled at a school but reside outside the enrolment scheme home zone cannot be considered for the provision of additional classroom spaces.

In 2007 the Ministry approved an amendment to the existing enrolment schemes for both Te Mata School and Havelock North Primary School to help manage the potential roll growth within the network as a result of the rapid residential development occurring at the time within the Arataki/Brookvale area. The area defined as Stage 2 of the Arataki subdivision was subsequently excluded from Te Mata School's zone to ensure the current site didn't exceed its capacity. The excluded area was subsequently included in the Havelock North Primary School's zone, which was approximately 3 kilometres away.

In the future the enrolment schemes could be further amended to ensure the best use of the existing state school network and to avoid overcrowding at a school.

Te Mata School's July rolls have consistently fluctuated around the mid to late 500's between 2010-2014. The proportion of out of zone students enrolled at the school has increased from 17% in 2011 to 29% in 2015. Based on the March 2015 roll return there were 161 Year 1-6 students living within the Brookvale/Arataki residential development area¹ and of these 132 (82%) attended Te Mata School.

Development within Stage 2 of the Arataki subdivision is well advanced with many new homes already built and occupied. The Heretaunga Plains Urban Development Strategy has identified an additional area on the opposite side of Arataki Road (near the Te Mata Mushroom Farm) for possible residential growth in the future. This area

¹ As defined by the area bounded by Brookvale Rd, Arataki Rd, Te Mata Rd and Karituwhenua Stream.

could potentially yield 220 new households. However the market demand for these sites, given the close proximity to Te Mata Mushrooms, may be less desirable compared to other growth areas identified within Havelock North, for example, the Lower Havelock North Hills area.

Question Four

I have identified four documents relating to Ministry of Education analysis around Te Mata School and am releasing these to you. Please see analysis for future school requirements document attached as document Two. The Demographic Report commissioned in 2009 is available on the Hastings District Council website (as contained in the Designation Notice <http://www.hastingsdc.govt.nz/files/all/resourceconsents/arataki/Application.pdf>).

Doc No	Description	Date	Released/Withheld
1	Havelock North Primary School – enrolment scheme and development issues	13 May 2007	Some names have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect privacy
2	Analysis to determine whether there is a future requirement for a new school	May 2015	Release
3	Email on number of Year 1-6 students in Arataki subdivision	23 June 2015	Some names have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect privacy
4	Email on analysis of students attending 3 Havelock North primary schools	19 May 2015	Some names have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, to protect privacy

Question Five

No reports have been provided to the Minister regarding the above information nor regarding the new wharekura (years 1 - 13). I am therefore declining this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act, as the information does not exist.

I trust this information satisfies your request. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review my response. The Office of the Ombudsman can be contacted at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, or by writing to PO Box 10-152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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From: [redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA
Sent: Sunday, 13 May 2007 4:13 p.m.
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA
Subject: Havelock North Primary School - Enrolment scheme and development issues
Dear [redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with representatives of the board to consider the proposed expansion of the enrolment scheme home zone and the resulting implications for further development on site. My comments are as follows: -

1. New site – the Ministry of Education intends to research options and to acquire a new site in the Te Mata area of Havelock North as insurance in case the Hastings District Council supports significant sub divisional development continuing beyond Arataki Road and Brookvale Road. There is no commitment by Ministry to construct a new school. Hastings District Council intends to initiate a Urban Development Strategy which is not due for revision until 2008. The outcome of this strategy and further Ministry research including whether sustained growth continues will in due course determine if further consideration should be given to promoting the construction of a new school.
2. Te Mata School – the development of this site is nearing its capacity on a single storey basis. Further on site development will be expensive to achieve. Due to the new site initiative above, further significant investment towards two storey construction will not be pursued. The intent is to support Te Mata School with an optimum roll of approximately 635 students. In order to achieve this it is proposed to reduce the Te Mata School enrolment scheme home zone broadly back to Simla Terrace and Arataki Road / Brookvale Road.
3. Enrolment Scheme – It is proposed to increase the Havelock North Primary School enrolment scheme home zone to cover the area that will no longer be included in the Te Mata School enrolment scheme home zone. While the Haumoana School and Clive School enrolment scheme home zones could also be expanded to cover parts of this area, the reality for most students is that Havelock North Primary School would be the next nearest most convenient school.
4. Bus Transport – if the above enrolment scheme amendments occur, primary children bus transport from the Maraetotara area will be extended to Havelock North Primary School.
5. Current out of zone enrolments – in the short term if there is a significant surge in the roll which is not able to be compensated for through the exclusion of out of zone enrolments, the provision of roll growth classrooms will be considered.
6. Roll Growth Classroom – the provision of further roll growth classrooms on site will be on a relocatable basis. As agreed this would occur in the north-east area of the site over the upper sealed courts. Whether new or reused relocatable construction occurs will be determined at that time dependant on what quality options are available. This would make it easier to remove these facilities in the future if a new school is constructed. If this does not occur then the quality relocatable facilities would continue in use as part of the school.
7. Out of zone enrolments – it will be over to the board to determine whether it continues to accept sibling out of zone enrolments. Please note however that any out of zone students that are enrolled will not be counted as part of future roll growth classroom assessments.

I will be in contact with the school after discussions have occurred with Te Mata School Board of Trustees on Monday 14 May 2007 concerning the above issues.

Sincere thanks for your hospitality and support with implementing the above initiatives.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any queries.

Regards



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Analysis to determine whether there is a future requirement for a new primary school in Havelock North.

School roll projections:

As at March 2015 roll there were 1286 Year 1-6 students living within the catchment of the 3 state primary schools in Havelock North (defined as the current home zone boundaries for Havelock North Primary, Lucknow and Te Mata Schools). The combined maximum capacity for the 3 schools is 1404 (based on the current number of teaching spaces). This equates to 118 surplus student spaces.

All three schools have recently submitted roll predictions for Oct 2015-Oct 2017 as part of the annual enrolment scheme review process. See table below:

October rolls	Te Mata	Lucknow	Havelock North Primary	TOTAL OOZ	TOTAL
2015	602	303	533	331	1438
2016	575	305	549	299	1429
2017	594	309	572	262	1475

At the end of October 2015 this surplus is likely to be reduced to a deficit of 34 student spaces. By October 2017 the deficit could be 71 student spaces. However as the schools would have a combined out of zone (OOZ) roll of 262 students they would not be eligible for additional classroom provision until the OOO roll had reduced significantly.

At a meeting with all three primary schools in June 2015, the Ministry advised the schools that they are likely to be running at or over capacity by the end of 2015 and that they will need to actively reduce their out of zone roll before the school would be eligible for additional property provision.

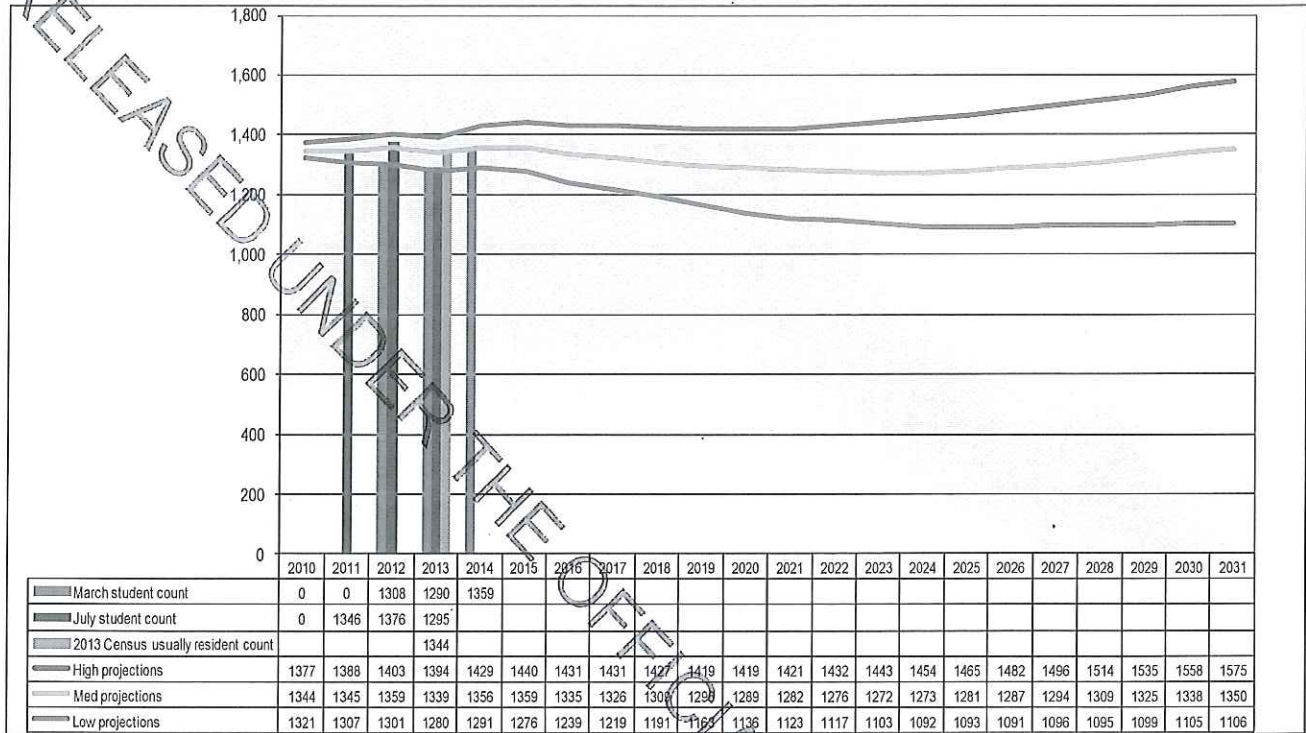
Population projections:

The number of children aged 5-10 years living within the catchment (as defined by Census Area Units Brookvale, Longlands South, Karamu, Waimarama, Anderson Park, Iona, Te Mata, Havelock North Central, Havelock Hills and Te Mata Hills) as at the 2013 Census was 1144. This was near Statistics New Zealand's medium population projection for 2013, which was 1139.

The March 2015 student count was 1359 which was very near the SNZ medium population projection trendline of 1356.

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Both the student count and Census 2013 usually resident count for children aged 5-10 years indicates the population is following the Statistics New Zealand medium population trend (See figure below). Following the medium projection trendline it's predicted the population of children aged 5-10 years will gradually decline from 2015 until 2022, with the potential reduction of 83 children from the resident population. Post 2022 though SNZ is predicting the population to recover and begin gradually increasing again. By 2031 the population of 5-10 year olds is predicted to be at a similar level to that in 2014 i.e. around 1350.



Note these projections do not take into account future population growth generated as a result of new residential development within the Havelock North area.

In summary the population projections available from Statistics New Zealand suggest the population in the short term will increase slightly in 2015 before gradually declining. Over the longer term it's predicted the population of children aged 5-10 years within the defined catchment will gradually decline before recovering to be at a similar level to that in 2014 by 2031. Given the high number of out of zone students currently enrolled at the Havelock North primary schools, the Ministry believes there is sufficient capacity within the network to accommodate any future roll growth as a result of further residential development within the Arataki/Brookvale area or population movements.

Should additional in-zone roll growth capacity be required, it would likely be in the order of 1-3 additional classrooms most likely within the Lucknow or Havelock North Primary School sites.

From: [redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA
 To: Marilyn Scott
 Cc: [redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA
 Subject: RE: Numbers of Year 1-6 students in Arataki subdivision
 Date: Tuesday, 23 June 2015 3:42:15 p.m.
 Attachments: image005.jpg
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Hi [redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA

Here is the info you wanted for the number of Year 1-6 students living in Arataki currently (based on March 2015 roll returns).

Arataki Subdivision:

- There are 161 Year 1-6 students living within the area bounded by Brookvale Road, Karituwhehua Stream, Te Mata Road and Arataki Rd. Of these 132 attend Te Mata School, 9 Havelock North Primary, 5 Lucknow etc.

Overall capacity:

- As at 1 March 2015, there were 1286 Year 1-6 students living within the catchment of these 3 schools (catchment defined by their enrolment schemes). The maximum capacity for the 3 state primary schools in HNorth is 1404 (based on current number of teaching spaces) = **118 surplus student spaces.**

All 3 schools are anticipating that they will be at or slightly over capacity by the end of 2015. However this is due to the high number of out of zone students attending the schools.

Based on the roll predictions provided by the 3 schools as part of the 2015 enrolment scheme review process its anticipated the network may reach a combined maximum roll of 1475 by October 2017. This would equate to a deficit of 71 student spaces. If the predicted roll growth is within zone, and the schools reduce their out of zone enrolments then the network may require an additional classroom(s) in the future (approx 1 classroom per 23 students).

However as two of the schools have a large number of out of zone students (whom live outside the Havelock North catchment) I don't anticipate any new classrooms will be required in the short term (within the next 3-5 years), if the schools manage down their out of zone enrolments.

Over the longer term, additional classrooms may be required but probably only in the order of 1-3 across the whole 3 schools. Can't give a more definitive number at this stage.

Rita has advised that both Lucknow and Havelock North Primary have capacity on-site to accommodate additional classrooms, should they be required in the future, without the need for going two-storey.

Hope this info helps.

Regards

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From: [Redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA
 To: [Redacted]
 Cc: Marilyn Scott
 Subject: Re: Analysis of students attending 3 HN State primary schools
 Date: Tuesday, 19 May 2015 2:48:00 p.m.
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Hi [Redacted] s 9(2)(a) OIA

In addition to the information I extracted for you yesterday, I've also geocoded all the student addresses for all students whom were enrolled at Lucknow, Havelock North Primary and Te Mata as at March 2015 roll return.

The purpose of the exercise was to clarify how many students who lived outside their school's home zone but whom actually lived in Havelock North so we could determine what the true capacity of the schools were.

Below is a summary of the data from the 1 March 2015 roll return from the school:

	In Zone	Out of Zone (OOZ)	NAPP	Total	% OOZ	Capacity	% Capacity	# of TS
Lucknow	244	28		272	10.3%	309	88%	13
HNPS	280	142	47	467	30.4%	480	97%	21
Te Mata	390	161		551	29%	593	93%	25
TOTAL		331		1290		1382		

I was able to geocode (find an address) for 98.8% of the students from the roll return (couldn't geocode about a dozen students). Of the 1290 students, 1123 lived within the area defined by the 3 school zones (Havelock North catchment). That shows 167 students were living outside the zone at the time of March 2015 roll.

This doesn't necessarily mean they are out of zone students, as they may have moved since they originally enrolled. However if we were starting with a clean slate then approximately 50% of the out of zone (OOZ) students listed in the table above would have automatic right to enrol in one of the Havelock North state primary schools.

Using the number of geocoded students residing in the Havelock North catchment, the revised capacity would be 1382 - 1123 = 259 surplus student spaces (operating capacity of 83%).

Of those that fell outside the Havelock North catchment - 44% lived in Hastings city, 16% in Clive/Haumoana/Te Awanga, 12% in Hastings rural, 8% in Waimarama etc.

All three schools have provided updated roll projections as part of their enrolment scheme reviews. These are outlined below:

October rolls	Lucknow	Havelock North Primary	Te Mata	TOTAL

2015	303	533	602	1438
2016	305	549	575	1429
2017	309	572	594	1475

Looking ahead to October 2017, the revised capacity could potentially reduce from 259 surplus student spaces to 93 surplus spaces.

This is based on the assumption that the % of OoZ students remains at a similar level both within the catchment and within each school. This indicates the schools are predicting the “in zone” catchment growth to potentially increase by approximately 160 Year 1-6 students between March 2015 and October 2017. The Ministry school roll projections, based on historical roll trends, show a similar trend in most instances.

Current population projections from Statistics New Zealand (SNZ) suggest nominal change within the Year 1-6 population within the catchment, though these don't yet incorporate the 2013 Census findings. There is the potential for new residential development within the catchment to contribute to some population growth with new developments in the Arataki area.

Hope this information helps

Cheers



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