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Dear Jem Traylen

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on 16 April 2018. This follows on from your earlier request for a list of documents provided by Treasury concerning Vote:Health. Details of your most recent request are included below:

“We are requesting a copy of the reports listed as items 2,3 and 4 listed in that response.”

Information to be Withheld

Item	Date	Document Description
1.	8 November 2017	Treasury Report: Vote Health Fiscal Position
2.	13 November 2017	Treasury Report: Primary Care Advice
3.	5 December 2017	Joint Report: DHB Funding Signal for 2017/18

I have decided to withhold the three documents you have requested in full under section 9(2)(f)(iv) of the Official Information Act.

“To maintain the current constitutional conventions protecting the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers and officials.”

Please note that the documents you requested will be available as part of the Treasury’s annual proactive release of Budget-related material in July, following Budget 2018 decisions and announcements.

In addition, more information about the Budget process, including an indicative timeline (Figure 3 refers) can be found on the Treasury website link below. I hope this will help you with your work. <https://treasury.govt.nz/publications/guide/putting-it-together-explanatory-guide-new-zealands-state-sector-financial-management-system-html>

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Treasury website.

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely



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Manager, Health