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Official Information Act Transfer

Our ref: OIA 2024-0311

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 9 October 2024 where you have asked:

- *“All advice by the Public Service Commission to Ministers on the setting up of Whaikaha the Ministry of Disabled People.*
 - *This should include agendas with ministers where Waikaha was an item, email correspondence and meeting specific documents.*
 - *This should include agendas for the executive leadership of the Public service Commission where Waikaha was an item, email correspondence and meeting specific documents.*
 - *To further clarify, this also includes annotated agendas for ministers, emailed action points by the Commission executive and others, including from and to people in ministers’ offices.*
 - *Communication with comms staff in the relevant agencies, particularly those that identify risks, comms or otherwise, in the setting up of Waikaha*
- *Internal Public Service Commission advice on the setting up of Whaikaha the Ministry of Disabled People. This should include agendas where Waikaha was an item, email correspondence that set up such meetings and formal documents.*
- *Any warnings by Public Service Commission staff to Chief Executives or other representatives of public service departments about the challenges in setting up of Whaikaha the Ministry of Disabled People.*
 - *Under the Public Service Act 2020, paragraph 59, what amounts to an executive for the public service was set up that the Public Service Commissioner “leads”. Any documents seen by that committee, or informal predecessors, emails that discussed Waikaha including annotated agendas, or drafts of documents that were later sent to ministers*
 - *Other meetings where setting up Whaikaha was an agenda item*
- *This should include files notes on meetings that were “off the record” / “off line” and briefings to DPMC or briefings that included PAGs.*
 - *Again this should include agendas where the setting up of Whaikaha the Ministry of Disabled People was an item, the content of emails and the timing of phone calls where there is no record of the content of the phone call.”*

We have transferred your request to the Ministry of Social Development (MSD), as information to which your request relates, namely the establishment of Whaikaha is more closely connected with

the functions of the MSD. In these circumstances, we are required by section 14 of the Official Information Act 1982 to transfer your request.

You will hear further from the MSD concerning your request.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nicky Dirks', with a stylized, cursive script.

Nicky Dirks

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