



# Te Kawa Mataaho

Public Service Commission

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## Official Information Request

Our Ref: PSCR 2025-0326

I refer to your official information request received on 20 March 2025 where you asked:

*“Can I please request a copy of the following under the OIA:*

- (i) *All advice produced by the department regarding the Open Government Partnership, from 27 November 2023 to the present day.*
- (ii) *All correspondence between the Public Service Commission and Ministers or members of Minister’s offices, regarding the Open Government Partnership’s 4<sup>th</sup> National Action Plan, since 1 July 2024.”*

## Information publicly available

The following information is covered by your request and is publicly available on the Public Service Commission’s website at the links provided for in the table below.

Item	Date	Document Description	Website address
1	20 December 2023	2023-0321 – REPORT – New Zealand’s future approach to the Open Government Partnership	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-New-Zealands-future-approach-to-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-New-Zealands-future-approach-to-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf</a>
2	15 February 2024	2024-0040 – REPORT – Further advice on New Zealand’s future approach to the Open Government Partnership	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Further-advice-on-New-Zealands-future-approach-to-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Further-advice-on-New-Zealands-future-approach-to-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf</a>
3	19 March 2024	2024-0089 – REPORT – Progressing the option to withdraw from the Open Government Partnership	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Progressing-the-option-to-withdraw-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Progressing-the-option-to-withdraw-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf</a>
4	8 April 2024	2024-0104 – REPORT – Approval to consult on draft Cabinet paper proposing New Zealand withdraw	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Approval-to-consult-on-draft-Cabinet-paper-">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Approval-to-consult-on-draft-Cabinet-paper-</a>

		from the Open Government Partnership	<a href="#">proposing-New-Zealand-withdraw-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf</a>
5	1 August 2024	2024-0190 – REPORT - Draft Cabinet paper for consultation: “New Zealand’s withdrawal from the Open Government Partnership”	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Draft-Cabinet-paper-for-consultation-New-Zealands-withdrawal-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Draft-Cabinet-paper-for-consultation-New-Zealands-withdrawal-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf</a>
6	15 October 2024	2024-0332 – REPORT - Draft Cabinet paper for consultation: “New Zealand’s withdrawal from the Open Government Partnership”	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Draft-Cabinet-paper-for-consultation-New-Zealands-withdrawal-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership-v2.pdf">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/Report-Draft-Cabinet-paper-for-consultation-New-Zealands-withdrawal-from-the-Open-Government-Partnership-v2.pdf</a>
7	5 February 2025	MoSR 2025-0084 – AIDE MEMOIRE – Information about the Open Government Partnership	<a href="https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/MoSR-2025-0084-AIDE-MEM-Information-about-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf">https://www.publicservice.govt.nz/assets/DirectoryFile/MoSR-2025-0084-AIDE-MEM-Information-about-the-Open-Government-Partnership.pdf</a>

I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) on the grounds the information is or soon will be publicly available. Some relevant information has been removed from documents listed in the above table and should continue to be withheld under the OIA, on the grounds described in the documents.

#### **Information does not exist**

The Commission has not sent or received any correspondence to or from Ministers or members of Minister’s offices about New Zealand’s OGP 4<sup>th</sup> National Action Plan to since 1 July 2024.

I am therefore refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the OIA on the grounds the information does not exist.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz](mailto:Enquiries@publicservice.govt.nz).

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that we intend to publish this letter (with your personal details removed) on the Commission’s website.

Yours sincerely



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