



4 September 2023

Tēnā koe

On 7 August 2023, you emailed the Ministry of Social Development (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act), the following information:

This is a request for official information under the Official Information Act 1982 relating to courses offered by 'Leadership New Zealand' and the number of attendees from your organization between July 2022 and July 2023. <https://www.leadershipnz.co.nz>

We request the following information:

- 1. The total number of staff members who participated in any course offered by Leadership New Zealand during the aforementioned time frame.*
- 2. Please list the specific course names from 'Leadership New Zealand' that were attended by the staff members.*
- 3. For each specific course, please provide:*
 - The number of staff members who attended each course*
 - The individual cost for each attendee on the course*
 - A total cost to your organization for the course when compiling the cost for each attendee*

The Ministry has had six staff members attend Leadership New Zealand programmes between the period July 2022 to July 2023. All six staff attended the Tu Mana Moana programme. The Ministry was only required to pay programme costs for one of these attendees.

As such, the individual and total cost to the Ministry for staff who attended the Tu Mana Moana programme offered by Leadership New Zealand between July 2022 and July 2023 was \$21,850 (including GST).

The principles and purposes of the Official Information Act 1982 under which you made your request are:

- to create greater openness and transparency about the plans, work and activities of the Government,
- to increase the ability of the public to participate in the making and administration of our laws and policies and
- to lead to greater accountability in the conduct of public affairs.

This Ministry fully supports those principles and purposes. The Ministry therefore intends to make the information contained in this letter and any attached documents available to the wider public. The Ministry will do this by publishing this letter on the Ministry's website. Your personal details will be deleted, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you as the person who requested the information.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with this response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui



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