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RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

On 28 July 2022, you contacted the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information regarding communications staff and media queries. I have outlined your specific questions and my responses to each below.

1. *How much did your organisation spend on social media advertising in total between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022, and how does this compare to the previous five years?*

Please refer to Table 1 below which provides the total amount the Ministry spent on social media advertising for the previous six financial years.

Table 1: The Ministry for Pacific Peoples' spend on social media advertising for the previous six financial years

Financial year	Total spent
2021/22	\$3,342.57
2020/21	\$222.62
2019/20	\$1388.25
2018/19	Nil
2017/18	\$223.93
2016/17	\$307.27

2. *How much did your organisation spend on staff in total between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022, and how does this compare to the previous five years?*

I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the OIA as the information for the previous five financial years is publicly available in our previous Annual Reports on our website here: www.mpp.govt.nz/publications/corporate-publications.

The information for the 2021/22 financial year will be in our Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022, which will soon be publicly available on our website.

3. *How much did your organisation spend on contractors/consultants in total between 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022?*

I am refusing this part of your request under section 18(d) of the OIA as this information will soon be publicly available on the Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission website.

In line with standard OIA practice, the Ministry proactively publishes its responses to OIA requests. As such, this letter will be published on the Ministry for Pacific Peoples' website. Your personal details will be removed, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you or your company.

Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact the Ministry at: uia_requests@mpp.govt.nz.

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Meitaki ma'ata



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