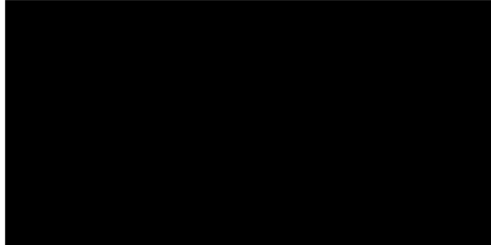




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Thank you for your email of 11 December 2017 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

- *The paper regarding the funding model for the decile replacement system (noted on pg 34 of the BIM).*

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Annex 5 of the Briefing to the Incoming Minister (BIM) October 2017 outlines work and papers that were proposed, in development or ongoing work conducted by the Ministry of Education at the time the new Minister of Education was sworn in. As a result of discussions held with the Minister, some of the work outlined in the BIM was not progressed further than the planning stage. This was due to changes in priorities from a new Government and new Minister of Education.

As the requested paper was never written, I am refusing this request under section 18(e) of the Act, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes OIA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. If you have further questions please feel free to contact our media team in the first instance at media@education.govt.nz. If you are unsatisfied with my response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review it. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely

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