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Ref: OIA-2025/26-0459

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request relating to 2025 Government Department Strategies Index

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) request, which was received by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) on 21 January 2026. You requested:

Stage 1: Collection

Please could you review the two worksheets in the attached spreadsheet as follows:

Sheet 1: Review of GDSs in the 2024 GDS Index

Please update the status of each GDS in the yellow-highlighted column F:

1. Write in one of three options:

(i) 'still active',

(ii) 'archived' (i.e. no longer in operation), or

(iii) 'no longer owned and operated by this government department'. If this is the case, please say who it has been transferred to (e.g. 'transferred from MOH to Health NZ in March 2024').

Sheet 2: Potential new GDSs

Has the department published a new strategy document in the 2025 calendar year that may meet the definition of a GDS? (See 'GDS definition' in Appendix 1.) If so, please add it to this sheet, with each document on a separate row. In the rare case you know of another strategy that should have been included in the 2024 GDS Index but was not, please add it to this sheet. We are happy to retrospectively add GDSs, even ones that have been archived to ensure the GDS Index is a comprehensive and accurate record.

1. Add the strategy's title to column A.

2. Add a link to the PDF of the strategy to column B.

3. In column C, write either:

(i) 'replacing an existing GDS' (and please also name the GDS it replaces in column C), or

(ii) 'completely new strategy document'.

4. Add any additional information in column D. "."

On 26 January, I notified you of my decision to transfer part of your request to the National Emergency Management Agency, a departmental agency hosted by the Department of Internal Affairs, under section 14(b)(ii) of the Act.

Please find attached a copy of your spreadsheet, which DPMC have now reviewed and, where applicable, updated in accordance with GDS definition criteria. With respect to the second part of your request, I note that, as of the time of writing, no new strategies have been published by DPMC. You will see, however, that one strategy has been updated.

You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision under section 28(3) of the Act.

This response will be published on the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's website during our regular publication cycle. Typically, information is released monthly, or as otherwise determined. Your personal information including name and contact details will be removed for publication.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Clarke-Watson'.

Jeremy Clarke-Watson
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