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### Response to your Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of 18 November 2024 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*The total budgeted for Christmas/new year bonuses to staff this year.*

*If this will not be the same across each role, please break this down by pay grade and the total for each grade.*

*If you do not reward by pay grade but some other method, please specify this and give a breakdown of this.*

The scope of your request is interpreted to be for the total budgeted by the Independent Children's Monitor for Christmas and/or New Year bonuses, broken down by staff pay grade or other methods.

The Independent Children's Monitor does not pay Christmas or New Year bonuses and does not have any funds budgeted for bonuses; therefore, your request is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as *the information requested does not exist*.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information relating to this request, in accordance with section

28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at:

[www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note that due to the public interest in our work, the Independent Children's Monitor publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#). If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact us on [info@aroturuki.govt.nz](mailto:info@aroturuki.govt.nz).

Ngā mihi nui



Arran Jones  
Chief Executive

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