



27 June 2024

File Ref: OIA 48725

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your information request dated 21 May 2024. You asked for the following information:

“We request the following information:

- Total given to “The Rebel Business School” by your organisation and or CCO’S broken down by year.*
- The reasoning behind your organisation beginning these deals.*
- Total citizen completed certificated since beginning funding this program.*
- Please add how many courses have been funded and there dates.*
- Have issues been raised on the attendance.*
- Such as not attending the whole course but still getting a certificate.”*

On 29 May 2024 we contacted you to clarify whether you were only seeking information relating to Rebel Business School, or if you were also seeking information relating to their previous and/or current name. You responded on 29 May 2024 and clarified the scope of your request as follows:

“I’d prefer all information. Thank you”

Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Please see the below responses to your questions.

“Total given to The Rebel Business School” by your organisation and or CCO’S broken down by year.”

Te Puni Kōkiri has granted funding to Popup Business School Aotearoa Limited, a previous company name of Rebel Business School. The below table provides the funding amount by financial year.

Financial Year	Contract Ref	Amount
2017/2018	33160	\$5000.00
2017/2018	43970	\$5000.00
2020/2021	48297	\$5000.00

“The reasoning behind your organisation beginning these deals.”

Financial Year	Contract Ref	Purpose
2017/2018	33160	Connecting communities through small business by way of a 10-day business course in Porirua providing business development skills, connecting with local business people and sharing their experiences. Participants will gain confidence and learn how to build a website, linking them with social media opportunities.
2017/2018	43970	To deliver a 10-day business course in Te Tairāwhiti. Businesses will be involved in workshops to learn how to set up a business, build a website, and identify their target market. Participants will develop the confidence, skills and motivation for business start-ups.
2020/2021	48297	To deliver 20 business workshops, across the Hawke’s Bay region including attending a Trade Show and Graduation Event, in May 2021.

*“Total citizen completed certificated since beginning funding this program.
-Please add how many courses have been funded and their dates.”*

As part of the funding agreement, PopUp Business School Aotearoa Limited reported on the number of registered participants on their courses, rather than “*total citizen completed certified*”, as you have requested. Please see the below table for information held by Te Puni Kōkiri, which details the number of registered participants and the course dates.

Financial Year	Contract Number	Participants	Course Dates
2017/2018	33160	65 registered participants over 10 days	2 – 10 October 2017 Porirua
2017/2018	43970	65 registered participants over 10 days	11 – 22 June 2018 Gisborne
2020/2021	48297	33 registered participants over 8 days	3 – 14 May 2021 Hawke’s Bay

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-Such as not attending the whole course but still getting a certificate.”*

There were no issues raised on attendance across all three workshop investments listed in the above tables. In all three investment contracts, certification was not a required deliverable.

I trust my response satisfies your request.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact us at oja@tpk.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Grace Smit', written in a cursive style.

Grace Smit
Hautū, Te Puni Rangapū ā-Rohe me Whakahaere | Deputy Secretary, Regional
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