



Rhys Hurley
Investigations Coordinator
New Zealand Taxpayers' Union
rhys@taxpayers.org.nz

24 March 2026

Tēnā koe Rhys

OIA: GEMS-47031 – Information relating to car parks leased or otherwise reserved for the Ministry at The West End Carpark, 48 Hereford Street, Christchurch

Thank you for your email of 26 February 2026 to the Ministry of Education (the Ministry) requesting the following information:

I am requesting information relating to car parks leased or otherwise reserved for the Ministry of Education at The West End Carpark, 48 Hereford Street, Christchurch.

Specifically, I request:

- 1. The total number of car parks currently leased, reserved, or allocated to the Ministry of Education at The West End car park.*
- 2. The annual cost of leasing or reserving these car parks, including GST.*
- 3. The total number of vehicles in the Christchurch or Canterbury fleet.*
- 4. The total number of leased or reserved car parks held by the Ministry of Education nationwide, and the total annual cost of those leases.*

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

In response to **part one** of your request, there are 79 car parks leased at the West End car park that are allocated to the Ministry of Education for the fleet.

In response to **part two** of your request, the annual cost of leasing the car parks in the West End car park is \$354,315 including GST.

In response to **part three** of your request, there are 56 vehicles in the Christchurch fleet. The remaining car parks that are leased are reserved for visitors.

In response to **part four** of your request, there are 818 leased/reserved car parks held by the Ministry nationwide and the annual cost of the leases is \$1,870,033.93 including GST. For clarity, this includes Ministry vehicle fleet and visitor car parking. The information provided also excludes parking spaces and any costs allocated to other agencies where offices are co-located.

Please note, 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.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Anne Marie Taggart', written in a cursive style.

Anne Marie Taggart
General Manager, People, Sustainability and Place
Te Pou Rangatōpū | Corporate