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From: Katren Rogers [TSY]
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Subject: Your questions about Vote Education Budget Initiatives
Attachments: Budget Sensitive Education Initiatives.xlsx

Hi Sebastian,

In response to your questions about Vote Education Budget initiatives last week, I attach a breakdown of the initiatives by type – cost pressure, or manifesto commitment. Note that I have also identified where the vote team has judged that an initiative is *not* a cost pressure or manifesto commitment, and therefore outside the scope of Budget priorities set out in the Budget Strategy Cabinet Paper. I have also identified those cost pressure initiatives that the vote team’s initial assessment suggests can be scaled or deferred. However, I have not provided this information for manifesto initiatives, as the vote team are yet to complete our initial assessments.

I have consulted our Budget team regarding your question about the envelope of funding pre-committed to Vote Education within the Budget allowances. They confirmed that while the volume of cost pressures and signalled additional funding for the Education sector – among other sectors – was taken into account in setting the allowances and fiscal strategy, Cabinet has not agreed a funding ‘envelope’ for any particular sector, including Education.

I understand that further advice on Budget initiatives received across sectors, and vote team assessments of cost pressure initiatives, will be provided from the Budget team today.

Happy to discuss.
Regards,
Katren

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Initiative Title	Classification	Scalable	Deferable
[37], [38]			
MBU and OBU Forecast Changes	Cost pressure	N	N
ECE cost adjustment	Cost pressure	Y	Y
Schools' Operational Grant Increase	Cost pressure	Y	Y
Ongoing Resourcing System - meeting increased demand	Cost pressure	N	N
English for Speakers of Other Languages - cost pressures	Cost pressure	N	N
Te Kahu Toi Intensive Wraparound Service	Cost pressure	Y	N
[33], [38]			
Early intervention services - meeting increased demand	Cost pressure	Y	N
Teacher Aide Funding Rates	Cost pressure	Y	Y
Voluntary Bonding Scheme cost pressures	Cost pressure	Y	N
[33], [37], [38]			
[33]			
School Growth Package	Cost pressure	Y	N
Christchurch Schools Rebuild	Manifesto commitment		
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Supporting Infrastructure Service Delivery	Not a cost pressure	Y	Y
[33]	Cost pressure	[33]	
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A Progress Approach Across the Education System	Manifesto commitment		
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Teacher Supply Response Package	Manifesto commitment		
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School Leavers' Toolkit	Manifesto commitment		
Te Ahu o te Reo Maori	Manifesto commitment		
Te Kawa Matakura	Manifesto commitment		
Te Kotahitanga - Strengthening Equity and Lifting Achievement for Maori Students	Manifesto commitment		
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Education Summits and Strategies	Manifesto commitment		
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