

# OPEN GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP

## NEW ZEALAND

### Commitment 2: Improving official information practices

**Date:** June to August 2017

**Lead agency:** The State Services Commission

*To make government information more accessible by adopting a consistent set of agency practices in response to requests for official information.*

#### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

- Developing a suite of consistent measures about OIA performance and collecting statistics from all 111 agencies for the 2016/17 year. These will be published on 5 September 2017
- Publishing [guidance](#) (PDF, 151KB) for agency use, to assist in the development of internal policy on the proactive release of OIA responses
- Publishing [agency website guidance](#) (PDF, 82KB), including content outlining [how agencies will respond to information requests](#) and [tips for requesting official information](#)
- Completing the development of an agency self-assessment tool on official information capability, which we are in the process of piloting with agencies
- Planning and facilitating an OIA forum on 14 August.

#### LINKS

- [Improving official information practices](#)
- [Official Information Act statistics](#)
- [Tips for requesting official information](#)
- [How agencies will respond to information requests](#)
- [Proactive Release of Official Information](#) (151KB, PDF)
- [OIA Agency Website Guidance](#) (82KB, PDF)

#### WHAT'S NEXT?

- Publishing OIA statistics
- Preparing guidance on official information
- Completing the pilot for the agency capability self-assessment tool and launching it.