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17 JUNE 2026: OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST

In your email dated 26 June 2026 you requested information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Answers to your questions are set out below.

- How many working groups, advisory groups, reference groups, expert panels, stakeholder groups, or similar bodies administered by your agency have required participants to sign a non-disclosure agreement (NDA), confidentiality agreement, or confidentiality undertaking as a condition of participation?*
- Please provide the figure for each of:*
 - 23 November 2023 to 31 December 2023*
 - 2024*
 - 2025*
 - 2026 to date*
- Please provide any current policy, guidance, or criteria governing when such agreements may be required.*

New Zealand Screen Production Rebate: Industry Panel members

Industry Panel members for the New Zealand Screen Production Rebate (NZSPR) are required to sign a services agreement, which includes obligations on confidentiality. This aligns with the Terms of Reference for the NZSPR Panel for New Zealand and International Productions that states: "Each member of the Rebate Panel and each observer will keep confidential the NZSPR information made available to them, except to the extent required for internal NZFC purposes or by law."

The number of NZSPR Panel meetings is set out below:

Date Range	Number of NZSPR Panel meetings
23 November 2023 – 31 December 2023	4
2024	21
2025	16
2026 to date (17 June 2026)	7



External Assessors for Funding Applications

The New Zealand Film Commission engages external assessors to provide independent, expert perspectives on funding applications. External assessors are engaged under a Services Agreement, which includes a confidentiality clause.

The number of assessment rounds that engaged an external assessor is set out below.

Date Range	Number of assessment rounds that engaged an external assessor
23 November 2023 – 31 December 2023	4
2024	21
2025	16
2026 to date (17 June 2026)	7

We will be publishing this letter (with your personal information removed) on the NZFC website.

Please be aware that you have the right, by way of complaint to an Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the OIA to seek an investigation and review of our response.

Yours sincerely



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