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Treasury Report: Ministry for Regulation and Partnership Schools - Final Budget 2024 Decisions

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Action sought

	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Nicola Willis Minister of Finance Hon David Seymour Associate Minister of Finance	Agree to the funding for the Ministry of Regulation and Partnership Schools in the Budget 2024 package	9 April 2024

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)

Name	Position	Telepi	hone	1st Contact
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Minister's Office actions (if required)

Return the signed report to Treasury.					
Note any feedback on the quality of the report					

Enclosure: No

Treasury Report: Ministry for Regulation and Partnership Schools - Final Budget 2024 Decisions

1. As requested, this report seeks your agreement to the final treatment of the Ministry for Regulation and Partnership School submissions in the Budget 2024 package. We understand it reflects your discussions on the weekend of 6-7 April 2024.

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ID	Initiative	Average operating per annum	Total Capital				linisters on			
	initiative from \$ package) to \$1 reprioritisation f total baseline fo Budget Minister					that Ministers have agreed to increase the new funding for this 3.8 million average per annum (in the Budget Ministers 3 1.3 million average per annum. Taking into account from the Treasury and Productivity Commission, this lifts the result that the Ministry from \$9.7 million average per annum (in the sign 3 package) to \$19 million average per annum. Of the revised funding profile is set out below: Moperating Average Average				
	Ministry for		2.0	New funding	8.306	10.306	12.306	14.306	45.224	p.a. 11.306
15734	Regulation	11.306		Reprioritised from Productivity Commission	5.930	5.930	5.930	5.930	23.720	5.930
				Reprioritised from Treasury	1.764	1.764	1.764	1.764	7.056	1.764
				Total baseline	16.000	18.000	20.000	22.000	76.000	19.000
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15799	Partnership Schools	38.273	-	We understand that Ministers have agreed to increase the new funding for this initiative from \$34.2 million average per annum (in the Budget Ministers 3 package) to \$38.2 million average per annum. This revised quantum provides sufficient funding for: Up to 15 new schools across the forecast period. Up to 35 school conversions across the forecast period. The establishment of a Departmental Agency, to reflect Cabinet's agreement (SOU-24-MIN-0018 Minute refers).						

Recommended Action

We recommend that you:

a **agree** to the above approach to the following initiatives in the Budget 2024 package:

ID	Initiative Hon Willis decision		Hon Seymour decision	
15734	Ministry for Regulation	Agree/Disagree.	Agree/Disagree.	
15799	Partnership Schools	Agree/Disagree.	Agree/Disagree.	

Keiran Kennedy	Hon Nicola Willis	Hon David Seymour		
Manager, Budget	Minister of Finance	Associate Minister of Finance		
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