



Briefing report

Education Review Office (ERO): Annual Report 2021/22

Date	20 October 2022
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Proactive release	Recommended

Addressee	Action sought	Deadline
Associate Minister of Education	<p>It is recommended that you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Agree to table the attached Education Review Office's Annual Report (PDF) for the year ended 30 June 2022 and provide this for filing with the Office of the Clerk of the House - in line with the instructions for tabling reports in the House. b) Note that ERO will send five copies of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022 to the House Office once these have been printed. c) Note the Auditors letter of representation on pages 64-67. d) Note that this briefing is recommended for proactive release. 	



Attachments:

**Education Review Office (ERO):
Annual Report 2020/21**



Comments:

Minister's Office to complete	
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Date signed by Minister:	



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Hon Jan Tinetti
Associate Minister of Education (School Operations)

Education Review Office (ERO) Annual Report 2021/22

Purpose

1. This briefing provides you with a copy of ERO's Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022 for you to present to the House. The independent auditors report is published on page 64-67 of the Annual Report.
2. In line with the requirement to present reports in the House, attached is ERO's Annual Report 2021/22 (PDF) that provides an account of the performance of ERO during 2021/22.
3. The report describes ERO's achievements in the previous financial year. These include the reviewing of services and the progress made on the implementation of the new operating model for schools and early childhood education (ECEs).
4. The report describes how ERO responded during the ongoing Covid-19 emergency, and the areas where we were making progress. The pandemic continues to have a significant impact on our business operations, in particular field work. We have made progress in:
 - a. Completing and publishing 126 state and state-integrated schools and kura reviews; 8 private school reports; 16 reports for schools with international students; and three hostel reports.
 - b. Supporting more schools to enrol in Te Ara Huarau (the schools operating model) with 56 per cent of all state-integrated schools now enrolled.
 - c. Publishing 580 reports for early learning services.
 - d. Supporting and advocating for improved quality and compliance in early childhood services with a measured approach to monitoring and assurance.
 - e. Producing a number of quality research and evaluation reports on topical issues to help grow New Zealand's education knowledge base to support teaching and learning.
 - f. Continuing to modernise our technology platforms to improve and optimise our digital workspaces.
 - g. Continuing to grow our capability and knowledge of te Reo and tikanga Māori as part of He Taura Here Tangata, our Māori Strategy.

- h. Responding to climate change to align our strategies with wider Government strategies and guidance; identifying where we need to make behavioural and investment changes to reduce operational and greenhouse gasses.

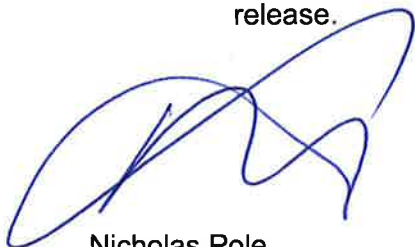
Covid-19 disruptions continued to have an impact on ERO's expenditure and performance measures

5. This resulted in a surplus of \$1.068 million in the financial year ending June 2022.
6. Suspension of onsite reviews meant ERO could only complete parts of its evaluation programme.
7. ERO received an unmodified opinion on its performance measure.
8. Ernst and Young, ERO's auditors raised no issues.

Recommendations

9. It is recommended that you:

- a) **Agree** to table the attached Education Review Office's Annual Report (PDF) for the year ended 30 June 2022 and provide this for filing with the Office of the Clerk of the House - in line with the instructions for tabling reports in the House. **Agreed/Disagreed**
- b) **Note** that ERO will send five copies of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022 to the House Office once these have been printed. **Noted**
- c) **Note** the Auditors letter of representation on pages 64-67. **Noted**
- d) **Note** that this briefing is recommended for proactive release. **Noted**



Nicholas Pole
Chief Executive

NOTED/APPROVED



Jan Tinetti
Associate Minister of Education (School Operations)

25, 10, 2022