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## Education Report: NZQA's 2019/20 Annual Report

Date:	17 September 2020	NZQA Priority:	Medium
Security Level:	In confidence	Report No.	CR 21116

### Action Sought:

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Hon Chris Hipkins Minister of Education	<b>note</b> the contents of the 2019/20 Annual Report; and  <b>note</b> NZQA will liaise with your office on timeframes for presenting the 2019/20 Annual Report to Parliament.	The Minister of Education will present NZQA's Annual Report to Parliament as soon as possible after the commencement of the next session of Parliament.
<b>Enclosure: Yes</b> (select as appropriate)		<b>Round Robin: Yes/No</b> (select as appropriate)

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### The following departments/agencies have seen this report:

NZQA has worked closely with both the Ministry of Education and Audit New Zealand on the development of its 2019/20 Annual Report.

### Minister's Office to Complete:

Noted

Seen

Approved

Needs change

Withdrawn

Overtaken by Events

See Minister's comments

Declined

Referred to:

**Comments:**

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### Purpose of Report

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1. To provide an audited account of NZQA's financial and non-financial performance for the year ending 30 June 2020 (in accordance with Crown Entities Act 2004).

### Background

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2. The Crown Entities Act 2004 requires NZQA to produce an annual report. An annual report must provide the information that is necessary to enable an informed assessment to be made of the entity's operations and performance for that financial year, including an assessment of the entity's progress in relation to its strategic intentions as set out in the most recent Statement of Intent.
3. NZQA's 2019/20 Annual Report reports against the strategic intentions in the 2019/20–2022/23 Statement of Intent and the 2019/20 Statement of Performance Expectations. This is the first year of reporting against the 2019/20–2022/23 Statement of Intent.

### Comment

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4. As per section 150(1)(b) of the Crown Entities Act 2004, NZQA is providing you with the final version of its 2019/20 Annual Report.
5. NZQA has been working closely with the Ministry of Education's Monitoring and Appointments Team (the team responsible for monitoring NZQA), and Audit New Zealand, to ensure that the 2019/20 Annual Report accurately reflects NZQA's performance against client expectations and meets relevant statutory requirements. Audit New Zealand has issued an unmodified audit opinion on the 2019/20 Annual report, reflecting its satisfaction that the financial statements and the performance information fairly reflects NZQA's activities for the year and its financial position at the end of the year.
6. Section 150(3) of the Crown Entities Act 2004, states that a responsible Minister must present the entity's annual report to the House of Representatives within 5 working days of receiving it, or if Parliament is not in session, as soon as possible after the commencement of the next session of Parliament.
7. To meet the requirement to publish the annual report "not later than 10 working days after the annual report is received by the Minister" under section 150(4) of the Crown Entities Act 2004, NZQA will publish the document via the NZQA website no later than 1 October 2020.

## Risks

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8. The Annual Report provides an account of the performance of NZQA during 2019/20 and is unlikely to pose any risk.



Dr. Grant Klinkum  
Chief Executive  
17 September 2020

Hon Chris Hipkins  
Minister of Education

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