

WPQ 12787 (2026)

How many, if any, funding applications for new providers were considered by the TEC funding panel for the 2026 Investment Round and for each new provider that the TEC funding panel recommended declining, if any, what was the name of the provider, the amount that was applied for and the reasons why it was recommended for a decline?

TEO	Funding Amount	Rationale for Decline
MITA Consulting	\$1,375,353 of DQ3-7 Work-based Learning funding	We are not sufficiently confident that delivery of your proposed plan will contribute to the achievement of the Government's priorities for the work-based learning network of provision. We want to ensure the network of provision for work-based learning meets the needs of industry and provides high quality, stable provision for learners. At this time, we do not have a clear picture of the network of provision, desired by the electricity supply industry, to make a decision that impacts the future of the network. Your Plan does not demonstrate that you have sufficient stakeholder support and does not identify an appropriate range of stakeholders including from employers and relevant industry organisations. We did not see sufficient evidence that your listed stakeholders represent the majority of employers and organisations relevant to the industry you wish to deliver to. It is not clear that there is sufficient industry support for an additional provider in this industry at this time.
Besafe Training Ltd	\$1,496,504 of Youth Guarantee funding	Your Plan does not give TEC confidence that you contribute appropriately to the network of provision, including at a regional level. We are not confident that there is sufficient demand compared to existing supply in your proposed regions of delivery. The micro-credential is not eligible to funded from Youth Guarantee. Youth Guarantee micro-credentials must include literacy and numeracy and lead to the award of a qualification at Level 1, 2, or 3 on the New Zealand Qualification and Credential Framework.

	\$207,000 of DQ3-7 (non-degree) funding	We are not confident that there is sufficient demand compared to existing supply in your proposed regions of delivery. Unfortunately, we do not have sufficient funding available to approve all requests for funding. We have prioritised investment in Plans that better meet our strategic priorities. You need to have a DQ3-7 (non-degree) allocation that includes qualifications, and is not solely made up of micro-credentials, to be eligible to receive funding for a micro-credential.
New Zealand College of Business Limited	\$238,480 of Intensive Literacy and Numeracy funding	We do not have confidence in your capability to deliver on the proposed Plan. Unfortunately, we do not have sufficient funding available to approve all requests for funding. We have prioritised investment in Plans that better meet our strategic priorities. We are not confident there is sufficient demand compared to existing supply.
	\$134,160 of English Language Teaching funding	Your Plan does not give TEC confidence that you contribute appropriately to the network of provision, including at a regional Level. Unfortunately, we do not have sufficient funding available to approve all requests for funding. We have prioritised investment in Plans that better meet our strategic priorities. We do not have confidence in your capability to deliver on the proposed Plan.
New Zealand Biosecurity Academy Limited	\$49,500 of Intensive Literacy and Numeracy funding	Your Plan does not give TEC confidence that you contribute appropriately to the network of provision, including at a regional level. Unfortunately, we do not have sufficient funding available to approve all requests for funding. We have prioritised investment in Plans that better meet our strategic priorities. Your Plan does not identify an appropriate range of stakeholders and does not sufficiently demonstrate that the needs of key stakeholders will be met. We do not have confidence in your capability to deliver on the proposed Plan.

		Your Learner Success Plan does not give TEC confidence that you understand the current issues at your organisation and does not demonstrate a clear commitment by governance and management to ensure its successful implementation. Your Learner Success Plan does not align to the Learner Success Framework.
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