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The funding system for community based preschools is unnecessarily complex, changes every year and there is never get enough advance notice of what it is. We have started our orientation mornings this week and I have about 45 new families asking what the fees for next year will be. Embarrassingly I have to tell them that I don't know, I am still waiting on further details from the Department of Education as they distribute our government funding. All I can say is that fees will definitely increase as CPI has increased, staff wages and general costs have increased. On top of this we have now also been sent notification that we are to have a financial audit through Deloitte starting in November this year. I understand and welcome the need for transparency of government funds but why now when we are enrolling new children, farewelling this years' children and about to go on four weeks annual leave. Then when we return at the end of January 2024 the new children will start and they will need extra attention, etc. Many of us a teaching directors and only have office staff working minimal hours to keep the costs for families as low as possible. Something needs to be done.