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Dear [REDACTED]

**Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987**

We refer to your official information request dated 31 July 2020 for the following:

1. How much has the Council paid for iwi engagement/consultation (or a similar concept) for each of the last two years?
2. What is the exact breakdown of that expenditure (if any)?
3. For every capital project, was there a budget item for iwi engagement/consultation (or a similar concept)?
4. If so, by specific project, how much was budgeted and what percentage of the total project cost was it?

There is no specific funding set aside for iwi engagement/consultation. Engagement/consultation with iwi is completed at the same time as engagement/consultation with the Lower Hutt community.

If you have any issues with our response or wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [details of contact person].

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

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