



25 March 2024

Sinaed Gill

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Dear Sinaed Gill

Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (the Act) 1987

We refer to your request of 25 March 2024 for:

- 1. What is the total amount that your council spent on consultants during the 2023, 2022 and 2021 calendar years?*
- 2. Could this figure also please be broken down by department.*
- 3. During each of the 23/22/21 calendar years, how many consultants did work for the council?*
- 3. What is the per diem range, organised by department?*
- 4. What is the highest rate that a consultant was paid for work in 2023, and in which department did they work?*

Response:

This is not information Council hold as there is not a position management system which holds information in this way. Because Council does not hold this level of detailed information on consultants, we are also unable to provide the numbers, department breakdown, or salary range information requested for those positions.

Therefore, we are refusing your request under section 17(e) of the Act, as the Information requested does not exist.



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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response to your information request may be published on Hutt City Council's website. Please refer to the following link:
www.huttcity.govt.nz/council/contactus/make-an-official-information-act-request/proactive-releases

Yours sincerely

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