



14 June 2024

Rhys Hurley



Dear Rhys Hurley

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

We refer to your request of 21 May 2024 for Information regarding the Rebel Business School. We will answer each of your questions in turn.

- *Total given to “The Rebel Business School” by your organisation and or CCO'S broken down by year.*

In the Financial Year 2020/21 – \$11,319.45+GST (in its previous form known as “Pop-Up Business School”).

In the Financial Year 2022/23 – \$14,000.00+GST.

- *The reasoning behind your organisation beginning these deals.*

Hutt City Council supported several business start-up initiatives at the time recognising the impact that small businesses can make to the economic wellbeing of our communities. We sought a variety of localised programmes to assist local entrepreneurs on their small business journey.

- *Total citizen completed certificated since beginning funding this program – Please add how many courses have been funded and their dates.*

There were two courses, in September 2020 and September 2022. There is no formal record retained of participation / completion in these courses.



*•Have issues been raised on the attendance - such as not attending the whole course but still getting a certificate.*

No issues have been raised regarding this.

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.

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Yours sincerely

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