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Our reference: LGOIMA

Dear Andrea

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

We refer to your official information request dated 31 May 2023, for the following:

*“... current fees, and what the fees were in 2018 and 2013 (If these costs vary across cemeteries, please provide all).*

- *Cost of a burial plot*
- *Digging or interment fees*
- *Any additional fees for burials on weekends, public holidays, and after hours*
- *Cremation fees at a council crematorium*
- *Any additional costs for cremation services on weekends and public holidays.”*

The current costs for plot purchase, burial and interment of ashes are available on the Hutt City Council (HCC) website, see:

[www.huttcity.govt.nz/services/cemeteries/cemetery-fees-and-charges](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz/services/cemeteries/cemetery-fees-and-charges)

For previous years, this information is available in HCC's Annual Plans and Long Term Plans under 'fees and charges'. These are available on our website, see:

[www.huttcity.govt.nz/council/annual-plans-and-publications/annual-plans-and-long-term-plans](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz/council/annual-plans-and-publications/annual-plans-and-long-term-plans)

We advise that HCC does not operate a crematorium. Akatarawa Crematorium, run by Gee & Hickton funeral directors, is used by Lower Hutt residents. The cost for interment of cremated remains in the council's cemeteries is provided in the documents linked above.

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

Please note that this response to your information request, including your name, may be published on Hutt City Council's website.

Yours sincerely



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