



29 September 2025

Christene Loweth

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Tēnā koe Christene,

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

We refer to your official information request dated 18 September 2025, seeking a full set of Lower Hutt City Council’s accounts for the most recent financial year. Specifically, you requested:

“...a detailed breakdown of expenditure across all areas, including (but not limited to):

- *Wages and salaries*
- *Service delivery costs*
- *Projects and capital works*
- *Contracts and procurement*
- *Administrative expenses*

If available, please also provide copies of the most recent audited financial statements and any supporting financial reports presented to councillors.”

Answer:

The information you have requested is captured in Council’s Annual Report. However, the Annual Report for the 2024/25 financial year is still being finalised, and we are unable to provide you with a completed version at this stage.

In the meantime, the draft Annual Report was presented to the Audit and Risk Subcommittee on 23 September 2025. This includes the most current financial information available and covers expenditure across areas such as wages and salaries, service delivery costs, capital projects, contracts and procurement, and administrative expenses.

You can access the agenda and associated papers, including the draft financial statements, via the following link: [Agenda of Audit and Risk Subcommittee - Tuesday, 23 September 2025](#).

Once finalised and adopted, the audited Annual Report will be published on Council's website at: [Annual Reports | Hutt City Council](#).

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: [Office of the Ombudsman - Complaints](#), or freephone 0800 802 602.

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