

**From:** [BDC Lgoima](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Official Information Request for BDC Work in Progress (WIP) Overrun Ref: OIA 038/22  
**Date:** Tuesday, 28 June 2022 4:59:00 pm  
**Attachments:** [LGOIMA request Colin Reidv June 22 totals with comments.xlsx](#)  
[image002.png](#)

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Dear [REDACTED]

We refer to your official information request dated 31 May 2022 requesting information regarding the WIP overrun.

I have extracted the questions from your letter and appended them below with answers in red script underneath each question. The attached spreadsheet relates to Q3.

#### REQUEST

1. Please advise, by value, the month(s) and financial year(s) to which the internal project management charge(s) relate. Note, names and any other details are not being requested.  
  

PMO Overhead recovery October 2021 \$7039.89  
PMO Overhead recovery December 2021 \$8528.49  
PMO Overhead Recovery February 2022 \$8990.72
2. Media reporting at the time of the 7-day makeover (25/11-01/12/2017) indicated the use of an external project management resource. This resource was previously employed by a BDC CCO (from memory as I now have no access to the story). Why then was an internal project management resource charged against this WIP - \$25k? **It was not charged to this project – refer to answer for question 1**
3. Please advise, by value, the month(s) and financial year(s) to which the charges adding to \$105k relate. Note, vendor details and individual invoice values are not being requested – simply the total(s) by month. **As per attached spreadsheet with comments**
4. Please advise if projects other than the 7-day makeover were included in the \$130k overrun, and their value. **The \$105k relates to the 7-Day makeover and related revitalisation projects around the district e.g. highway signage. Please refer to answer for question 1 for the balance of \$25k**
5. FRAC agendas for the period July 2017- December 2019 appear to be no longer accessible on the BDC website. Please advise the path to access these agendas. **These are not available on the BDC website due to storage capacity. If you would like a particular agenda, please let us know.**
6. What is the purpose and authority for BDC to incur this additional cost to the ratepayer?

**The overspend was not intentional. It was authorised by the CEO of the time and not treated as it should have been in the subsequent years, leading to the account being overspent when the costs of a subsequent project were attached it.**

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.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact the Buller District Council by return email to [lgoima@bdc.govt.nz](mailto:lgoima@bdc.govt.nz).

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <https://bullerdc.govt.nz/district-council/your-council/request-for-official-information/responses-to-lgoima-requests/> with your personal information removed.

Kind regards

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BULLER DISTRICT COUNCIL

WIP to 42255509 (Multiple Items)

| Row Labels         | Sum of WIP to 42255509 |   |
|--------------------|------------------------|---|
| <b>2015</b>        | \$ <b>997.50</b>       | Landscaping plans Buller Bridge picnic area   |
| Jun                | \$ 997.50              |   |
| <b>2016</b>        | \$ <b>5,450.40</b>     | Architectural design work for library area  |
| Jul                | \$ 5,000.40            |   |
| Dec                | \$ 450.00              |   |
| <b>2017</b>        | \$ <b>67,208.92</b>    | Road/Highway signage design, skins and construction, small tool/equipment, 7 Day Make Over supplies, contractors, |
| Sep                | \$ 31,386.00           |   |
| Oct                | \$ 11,316.39           |   |
| Nov                | \$ 24,506.53           |   |
| <b>2018</b>        | \$ <b>31,891.53</b>    | Waterfront design, external management costs, construction  |
| Jan                | \$ 3,715.50            |   |
| Feb                | \$ 10,878.53           |   |
| Apr                | \$ 12,937.50           |   |
| May                | \$ 2,655.00            |   |
| Jun                | \$ 1,705.00            |   |
| <b>Grand Total</b> | \$ <b>105,548.35</b>   |   |