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Subject: Fwd: LGOIMA request Ref: OIA 051/23
Date: Tuesday, 23 May 2023 3:33:39 pm

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From: 
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2023 3:05:06 PM
To: Rachel Townrow <Rachel.Townrow@bdc.govt.nz>; Heather Mabin <heather.mabin@wrc.govt.nz>
Subject: LGOIMA request

Hi Rachel and Heather

I request the following information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act:

1. The spending by your council on consultants advising on Westport flood risk, flood protection, mitigation, river modelling, the likelihood of flooding during rainfall events, the Westport business case etc since the July 2021 flood (individual firms listed, with the amount paid to each please)?
2. How much of each spend has been a direct cost to ratepayers and how much has been funded by government agencies (ie NEMA)?
3. For the direct cost to ratepayers, how much has this amounted to per rateable property since July 2021?

Regards



From: [BDC Lgoima](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Bcc: [Sean Judd](#); [Douglas Marshall](#)
Subject: Official Information Request for Westport Flood Risk Mitigation – Consultants Costs Ref: OIA 051/23
Date: Wednesday, 21 June 2023 4:58:00 pm
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Dear [REDACTED]

We refer to your initial request dated 23 May 2023 and subsequent emails over the following days with myself.

The council has not engaged any consultants for the modelling of flood risk mitigation for Westport. You extended your question to include consultants for the Tiphead and wharf repair projects, but the consultants used for both those projects were not for flood risk mitigation but design and project management.

We are therefore, as required by the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, refusing your request under section 17 (e) as the information sought 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.

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.

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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