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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Official Information Request for Media/ Communication Information Ref: 040/22
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Importance: High

Dear [REDACTED]

We refer to your official information request dated 7 June 2022 for media/communications information.

The information you have requested to questions 1-5 and 9-10 are marked below in red.

The information for questions 6, 7, 8 are being refused under Section 17 (e) of the Local Government Official and Meetings Act, as this information does not exist.

1. Number of FTE communications/media staff employed in each year (this includes all internal and external communications staff/content producers and social media staff)

2017	1.5
2018	1
2019	1.6
2020	2
2021	2
2022	2

2. The salary range paid to communications staff in each year.

Salaries have ranged from \$47,000 - \$95,000 for full salary – however staff have not been solely communications staff as per titles listed in question 5.

3. Number of communications/media contractors used in each year.

Nil

4. Total sum paid to communications contractors in each year.

Nil

5. A breakdown of positions and numbers employed in each role (ie how many media advisors, senior media advisors, internal communications, managers, social media producers/managers)

2017	Communications & Community Services Officer x 1.5
2018	Communications & Community Services Officer x 1
2019	Communications & Community Services Officer x .6 & Communications & Economic Development Officer x 1
2020	Communications & Community Services Officer x1 & Communications & Economic Development Officer x 1
2021	Communications & Community Services Officer x1 & Communications

	& Economic Development Officer x 1
2022	Communications & Community Services Officer x1 & Communications & Economic Development Officer x 1

6. How many media queries received in each year (information not available)
7. How many interview requests received in each year (information not available)
8. How many media interviews given, and to which media organisations and when (information not available)

9. Total salary costs for communications staff each year.

2017	48,218
2018	54,542
2019	43,496
2020	39,017
2021	48,478
2022	56,116

10. In each year, how many communications staff paid a salary more than \$100,000 per annum and \$200,000 per annum

Nil

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.

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Kind regards

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