

From: [Allie Dunn](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: CM: Response to request for information re funding for iwi consultation
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Kia ora

I refer to your recent official information request, and the clarification of that request received 15 July 2024.

In response we note that on 20 May 2024, we provided you with information on the annual cost to ratepayers for consultations, communications and other expenses in engaging iwi in Council business. This information is provided again below:

Payments made to iwi using ratepayers funds for the financial years following are:

- 2021 - \$65,064.35
- 2022 - \$24,839.13
- 2023 - \$53,476.09
- 2024 (year to date) - \$37,155.22

With regard to your request regarding funding and information relating to a wananga held with Mike Smith and local iwi, we do not hold any information about this wananga. A google search resulted in a New Zealand Herald article about Te Whare Taiao o Rangitāne o Tamaki nui-ā-Rua holding a one-day climate change wānanga on Monday, June 24, at Mākirikiri Marae in Dannevirke, that Mike Smith spoke at. We cannot find any information that relates Council to this event.

With regard to your request regarding funding and information relating to a climate change action group with iwi, a search of our records management system does not show any information relating to this.

Therefore, in accordance with section 17(g) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, we are not able to provide you with information relating to funding for a climate change action group with iwi, and a wananga held with Mike Smith, as the Council does not hold any information relating to those parts of your request.

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.

Ngā mihi



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 15, 2024 11:32 AM
To: Allie Dunn <Allie.Dunn@Tararuadc.govt.nz>
Subject: CM: Re: Acknowledgement - request for information re funding for iwi consultation

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Please provide the Requested Information relevant to 2020 until Present. Thanks.

On Wed, Jul 10, 2024 at 8:57 AM Allie Dunn <Allie.Dunn@tararuadc.govt.nz> wrote:

Kia ora

This email is to acknowledge receipt of your request for information, regarding funding for iwi consultation.

We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible and in any event no later than 6 August 2024, being 20 working days after the day your request was received. If we are unable to respond to your request by then, we will notify you of an extension of that timeframe.

Your request as currently framed will likely take considerable labour to provide to you, and we will need to charge for any time exceeding one hour of officer time. This is because your request covers an unspecified period of time, so would involve searching records back as far as they have been kept.

One way you could refine your request, to reduce the amount of officer time needed to provide the information, would be to reduce the number of years that you would like the officers to search back through records; another way is to simplify the scope of your request. For example requesting "all information" and "cost to date" about a topic without specifying a time period, e.g. the past financial year, would mean any records search on the key words you have provided would return a significant number of documents, which would likely take many hours to review to see which records were in scope for your request. Keeping your request specific can significantly reduce the amount of time required to retrieve information, and review to confirm within scope.

As part of our commitment to being open and accountable, we have started publishing on our website copies of responses to requests for information we have received, where the request for information would likely have an element of general public interest. We advise that any responses provided to information requests that we publish will have any personal or identifying information redacted. This will ensure we comply with provisions of the Privacy Act 2020.

If you have any questions about the above, please don't hesitate to get in contact with me.
Ngā mihi

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 4:10 PM

To: Info - Tararua District Council <Info@TaranuaDC.Govt.NZ>

Subject: LTP

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Could you please provide all Information regarding Funding for Iwi Consultation, Climate Action Group involving Iwi, and the recent Wananga with Mike Smith and Local Iwi. This should include the Allocated Budget, and actual Cost to Ratepayers to Date. Thanks.

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