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Request for Official Information responded to under the Local Government and Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) (the Act) – reference: OIR 2122-257

I refer to your information request we received on 4 May 2022 for the following:

- ***How many instances in KCDC facilities have fallen into the ‘security issues’ category in the last 12 months? And if any, were they to do with Covid mandates?***

There were 105 reported incidents across Council facilities in the last 12 months which were related to aggressive/concerning or inappropriate behaviour by members of the public. It is difficult to ascertain how many of these were directly associated with the Covid mandates, but 10 were specifically related to Covid (vaccine passes or mask wearing).

- ***What is the security guard, for example, the one I often see at Otaki Pool, meant to do and in what kind of ‘issues’?***

The security guard is there primarily as a deterrent. The security guard is expected to assist staff before, during and following an incident.

- ***How many guards are being employed across all KCDC facilities and what is the cost of this?***

From 3 December 2021 until now, static security guards have been deployed as follows:

| Facility | Number of Hours |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Civic Building | 40 hours |
| Paraparaumu Library | 54 hours |
| Waikanae Library and Service Centre | 46 hours |
| Ōtaki Library and Service Centre | 48 hours |
| Coastlands Aquatic Centre | 49 hours |
| Ōtaki Pool | 49 hours |
| Total | 286 hours |

The hourly rate is \$35 + GST, which totals \$10,010 + GST per week for the cost of this service.

In addition for the period 3 December 2021 – 20 March 2022 a guard was stationed at the Waikanae Pool for 56 hours per week.

The cost for Waikanae Pool for the period 3 December 2021 – 20 March 2022 was \$1,960 + GST per week for 15 weeks.

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Mike Mendonça

Acting Group Manager Place and Space
Te Kaiwhakahaere roopu, Takiwa me te Waahi