

OIR: 2425/1396

7 July 2025



Tēnā koe ,

Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)

Thank you for your email of **12 June 2025** requesting the following information:

1. ***Council's information document identifies areas of operational savings and also increases in some fees and charges. Specifically, cuts and deferred grant funding of \$541,000, revised work programmes and operational efficiencies of \$382,000, increased fees and charges \$387,000. What are the grants and their respective financial value that have been cut?***
2. ***What are the grants and their respective financial value that have been deferred?***
3. ***For how long are the grants deferred?***

The following table summarises savings made in the grants area, with duration of the saving noted:

Memo	Group	Total Budget 2024/25	Annual Plan 2025/26	Saving	Duration of saving?
133a2 Events and Sponsorship	Strategy & Growth	298,835	206,904	91,931	Ongoing
13420 Toi Mahara Grant	Customer & Community	768,432	671,348	97,084	Ongoing
13423 Arts & Museums Support	Customer & Community	113,272	61,178	52,094	Ongoing
13430 Festival Grants	Customer & Community	58,878	-	58,878	Ongoing
1393b Otaki Surf Lifesaving Club Inc	Customer & Community	3,596	-	3,596	Ongoing
13942 Community Grants	Customer & Community	111,304	85,220	26,084	Ongoing
13958 Community Contracts	Customer & Community	491,713	205,538	286,175	2025/26 only
13922 Capacity Building and Partnerships	Customer & Community	-	94,760	(94,760)	Ongoing
Grand Total		1,846,030	1,324,948	521,082	

Please note that final budgets and therefore savings amounts varied slightly from the \$541,000 figure disclosed in the Annual Plan information flyer.

Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.

4. What are the specific work programmes and operational efficiencies that have been revised?

Work programme / operational efficiency savings	Saving
Takutai Kapiti - next steps	40,000
Defer progressing inclusionary zoning, and reduce consultants spend by reprioritising into future periods	60,000
Delay District Plan omnibus and reduce consultant costs	50,000
Redesign Digital solutions delivery	100,000
Depot efficiencies (Tree contract work, mowing, less contractors)	100,000
Wharemauku Gravel Extraction	32,000
Total	382,000

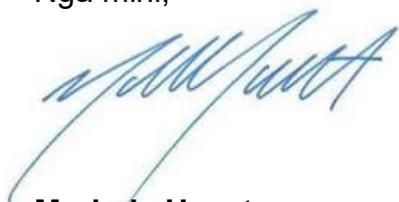
5. What are the specific fees and charges that have been increased.

The Council approved fees and charges for the 2025/26 year at its meeting of 29 May 2025. Papers for that meeting outline fee increases and can be found on the Council's website and links below for ease of reference:

Page 30 - [Agenda 29 May 2025 9.30am](#),

Page 101 - [Attachments 29 May 2025 9.30am](#)

Ngā mihi,



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