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1 September 2025

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Kia ora [REDACTED],

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

Thank you for your email of **7 August 2025** requesting the following information:

- 1. The number of new people employed by KCDC in the year ended 30 June 2025 and how many left KCDC employment in this period***

During the 2024-25 financial year we had 63 employees join the Council and we had 69 employees leave the Council. Note this does not include casual employees due to the nature of employment.

- 2. How much of Rates invoiced were in arrears as at 30 June 2025***
 - a) General***
 - b) Water***

The Annual Report for the 2024/25 year is scheduled for adoption in September 2025 and will be available on the Council's website soon thereafter [Annual reports - Kāpiti Coast District Council \(kapiticoast.govt.nz\)](https://www.kapiticoast.govt.nz). For this reason, I am declining to supply this information as the information requested is or will soon be publicly available, section 17(d) of the Act refers

- 3. The number of Full Time Equivalent Employees of KCDC as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2025***

Council Employee's	2023/24	2024/25
Full Time Equivalent Number	414	414*

*This number is unaudited. The audited number for 2024/25 will be published within the Council's Annual Report which will be publicly available in due course.

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

4. How many people are employed presently as Communications Team members and what is the average salary of each

The Communication, Engagement and Events team is currently going through a change process which is aimed at increasing service delivery. We have 14 established positions. To protect the privacy of individuals we are unable to provide the average salary of each, this decision is made under section 7(2)(a) of the Act. However, the average salary across the positions is \$102,459.

5. How many Full Time Equivalent contractors did KCDC have as at 30 June 2024 who work in or from council owned premises

During the 2024/25 financial year, the Council had 31.46 full time equivalent employees on fixed term contracts. These were all working in or from Council owned premises.

6. How much is paid to external law firms in the year to 30 June 2025

- a) **Simpson Grierson**
- b) **Bell Gully**
- c) **Others**

Legal Services	2024/25 Including GST
Buddle Findlay	\$362,959.81
Luke Cunningham Clere	\$12,811.72
Maude Legal Ltd	\$6,688.00
Power Law	\$690.00
Rees-Thomas Law Ltd	\$29,251.70
Simpson Grierson	\$544,849.54

7. How much was paid to external consultants involved in project design and implementation in the year 30 June 2025

The Council does not capture this information in the format that is sought by this question, we therefore decline to provide the detail requested under s17(f) in that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

8. What contracts has KCDC had with Mr Gwynn Compton in the two years from June 2023 to June 2025

The Council has not made any payments to a supplier named "Gwynn Compton" in the two years from June 2023 to June 2025, nor is there evidence of any contracts being entered into with the above-mentioned individual. This part of your request is refused under section 17(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

9. How many electric vehicles were bought and sold in the year ended 30 June 2025

The Council sold one electric vehicle in the 2024/25 financial year.

10. How many vehicles did KCDC own as at 30 June 2025 of which how many were electric

The Council has a total of 93 vehicles, nine are electric as at 30 June 2025.

11. Has Air Chathams repaid any amount of the loan from KCDC made to it in 2020, if so, how much

There have been no loan repayments made to date. The loan is due for repayment in November 2025.

12. How much debt has KCDC repaid to lenders in the year ended 30 June 2025

\$60 million was repaid to the Local Government Funding Agency (LGFA) during the 2024-25 Financial year. As at 30 June 2025 all of Council's debt is with the LGFA.

13. How much has so far been spent on repairs to the clock tower in Aputa Place, Waikanae

\$32,397.12 excluding GST was spent on repairs to the Waikanae clock tower in 2022.

In Council's view the reasons for withholding these details are not outweighed by public interest considerations in section 7(1) favouring their release.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman to review this decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi,



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