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9 June 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 13 May 2025 requesting the following information:

The 2025/26 Annual Plan information document included in the recently posted rate demand invoices, identifies where Council has found operational savings of \$3.1 million. This includes a staff cut of 15 positions, with savings of \$1.45 million.

Please supply the following requested information.

- ***What specifically, are the 15 designated positions that have been cut?***

Please note that final FTE reductions were 14, a slight variation from the 15 FTE figure disclosed in the Annual Plan information flyer.

Change processes relating to some positions are yet to be completed, therefore the specific positions cannot be stated. A breakdown by organisational group is as shown in the following table:

	FTE / FTC
Corporate Services	4
Customer and Community	3
Infrastructure and Asset Management	4
Regulatory Services	3
Total	14

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

- ***When specifically, will the 15 designated positional cuts that have been made, be completed?***

Reductions will be made at different times depending on circumstances relating to specific positions. Funding for the 14 positions has been removed from the 2025/26 budget.

- ***How long specifically, have the 15 designated positions to be cut, been operational?***

Over time, position titles and scope of roles can change, accordingly it is difficult to characterise the length of time these positions have been operational. Therefore, this part of your request is refused under section 17(e) of the Act as the documents alleged to contain the information requested do not exist, or despite reasonable efforts to locate them, they cannot be found.

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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