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Request from:	Private Individual
Information requested:	3 Waters Rates and Survey information
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

12 October 2021

Private Individual

Via Email:

Dear Private Individual

Official information request for information regarding the three waters reform submissions and projected calculations

I refer to your official information request dated 05 October 2021 for information regarding the three waters reform submissions and projected calculations.

You have asked for the following information:

1) How is the three waters rates calculated at year 2032

The cost of water services increases and reduces over the life of the plan, at year 2032 there is a small increase.

The cost was calculated as follows:

- Water services expense requirement divided by the number of connections at 2021.
- Waste Water services expense requirement divided by the number of units at 2021.
- Stormwater services amount of expense requirement divided by number of Hokitika Community Ratepayers.

These are averaged figures only and only assumes residential ratepayers.

2) What steps, if any, were taken to check if the respondents to the Three Waters Reform submissions were actually WDC ratepayers?

Responses to the survey did not have to be from ratepayers. The survey was open to residents and the wider community.

3) How many responses were from the Taxpayers Union campaign to stop the Three Waters Reform?

Nil

4) As respondents via that campaign were also not asked for an address, how many of those responses were verified as WDC Ratepayers?

As per question 2, respondents did not need to be WDC ratepayers.

There is no charge in supplying this information to you.

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If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Mary-anne Bell, Senior Administration Officer at LGOIMA@westlanddc.govt.nz, 03 756 9091.

Sincerely,

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You have asked for the following information:

How many responses received were from the email address <u>action@campainnow.co</u>
?

Nil

2) What other multiple emails were received from any other single address?

We have decided to refuse this part of your request under section 7(2)(a) – protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons

There is no charge in supplying this information to you.

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 <u>www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u> or freephone 0800 802 602.

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