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Request from:	Private Individual
Information requested:	Communications regarding fluoridation of water
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

Private Individual

Via Email:

Dear Private Individual

Official information request for any communications regarding fluoridation of water to the Mayor

I refer to your official information request dated 10 May 2023 for any communications regarding fluoridation of water to the Mayor and any policies/papers prepared for the Mayor and Councillors.

You have asked for the following information:

- 1. All communication between the Mayor and anyone else that discusses the subject of fluoridation/fluoride anywhere within the communication. Please note flouridation and flouride are often mis-spelt fluoridation and fluoride so please include these misspelled words in your search.**

We can advise that there is no communication with between the Mayor and others regarding fluoridation, therefore we are refusing your request under section 17(e) of LGOIMA that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

- 2. All policy papers and/or advice prepared for the mayor and/or councillors about fluoridation.**

We can advise that there has been no policies or advice prepared for the Mayor and Councillors, therefore we are refusing your request under section 17(e) of LGOIMA that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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