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# **LGOIMA**

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**Request from:** Private Individual

Information requested: Otira Rating Information

**Response by:** Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

17 May 2022

Private Individual

Via Email:

Dear Private Individual

### Official information request for Otira Rating information

I refer to your official information request dated 02 May 2022 for Otira Rating information.

You have asked for the following information:

1. How much rates are generated from Otira?

\$68,747.61.

#### 2. How far the rating boundary for Otira extends?

Otira extends from the Taipo River to Selwyn.

#### 3. Where are the funds taken from Otira are spent?

The general rate and uniform annual general charge fund part of the following activities: democracy, corporate services, inspections and compliance, resource management, emergency management, animal control, community development and assistance, library, museum.

## Tourism Promotion Rate

The tourism promotion rate is set and assessed as an amount per rating unit on all rateable properties in the district.

The tourism promotion rate is set differentially based on the use to which the land is put and for commercial use properties on the capital value of the rateable properties.

The differential categories are:

- Commercial
  - Greater than \$10m
  - Greater than \$3m and up to \$10m
  - Greater than \$1m and up to \$3m
  - \$1m or less
- Residential, Rural Residential and Rural

The definitions of each category are the same as those in the Rating Policy for the general rate. The tourism and promotions rate funds part or all of the following activities: West Coast Wilderness Trail, i-SITE and community development & assistance (Tourism West Coast grant).

There is no charge in supplying this information to you.

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the Privacy Act 2020. Westland District Council's Privacy Statement is available on our website <a href="https://doi.org/10.2020/journal.org/">here</a>

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

Sincerely,

Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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