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Request from:	Ellen Curnow – Westport News
Information requested:	Waste Collection information in the Westland District
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

26 August 2023

Ellen Curnow
Westport News

Via Email: ellencurnow@westportnews.co.nz

Dear Ellen

Official information request for Waste Collection information in the Westland District

I refer to your official information request dated 15 August 2023 for Waste Collection information in the Westland District.

You have asked for the following information:

- 1. How is refuse collection charged for at your council? E.g. user pays council bags (how many litres?) user pays wheelie bins or an annual targeted rate for wheelie bin collection (how many litres?)**

Westland District Council utilises a mixture of targeted Rates for disposal services (landfill management/operations and delivery) and user pays for gate collection of waste and recycling.

- 2. How frequently is refuse collected?**

General waste and recycling are collected fortnightly on alternative weeks.

- 3. Have you had any recent changes in refuse collection? How and why?**

No.

- 4. Does your council use a contractor? If so, which?**

Westland District Council utilises multiple waste contractor services. The main ones being EnviroNZ for transfer stations and kerb collection in the northern area and South Westland Rubbish Removal in the southern area.

- 5. Where does the refuse go?**

99.8% goes to Butlers Landfill in Hokitika, with a small amount going to the Haast Landfill (due for closure).

- 6. Does your council charge a targeted rate for recycling collection? If so, how much is it? If not, how is the service paid for and how much does it cost per household?**

There is no targeted rate for recycling collection, we charge one collection rate which includes both waste and recycling collections.

7. What recycling services are available? How frequent is collection?

Information for services can be found on our website here <https://www.westlanddc.govt.nz/waste-and-recycling/sorting-your-rubbish-and-recycling/>

Kerbside recycling is collection – see question 2.

8. Anything else interesting or important?

N/A.

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, Business Analyst at LGOIMA@westlanddc.govt.nz, 03 756 9091.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a series of loops and a trailing line.

Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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