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Request from:	Sinead Gill, Stuff.co.nz
Information requested:	Refreshments costs during the LTP public hearings
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

09 May 2024

Sinead Gill
Stuff.co.nz

Via Email: Sinead.gill@stuff.co.nz

Dear Sinead

Official information request for refreshments cost during the long term plan public hearings

I refer to your official information request dated 08 May 2024 for refreshments cost during the long term plan public hearings.

You have asked for the following information:

1. How much has your council budgeted for refreshments/food for elected members during your public hearings into your 2024-34 long term plan?

Nil.

On February 2024, Council resolved to defer the Long Term Plan for one year, and instead provide an enhanced Annual Plan for the year ending 30 June 2025.

2. If your council also feeds staff members meals during this time, how many staff members approximately?

N/A

3. A copy of the menu/list of what food will be/has been provided, and on which day?

N/A

4. An explanation of how kai choices were made (e.g. if health was taken into consideration and if councillors had a say in what made it onto the menu? And if the company preparing the food is owned by people who live in your district or city?

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 black ink, consisting of several overlapping loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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