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Request from: Private Individual

Information requested: Kaniere water and sewage rating information

Response by: Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

Via Email:

Dear Private Individual

Official information request for Kaniere water and sewage rating information

I refer to your official information request dated 07 May 2024 for Kaniere water and sewage water rating information.

You have asked for the following information:

I obviously expected an increase in Hokitika Residential community rates but did not and cannot understand the \$500+ in Kaniere Domestic water rate and the \$298 Kaniere Sewage rate increase. Will we be seeing or receiving a massive upgrade in these systems?

I can advise you that there are no major project planned for this area in the next year. Last year depreciation costs were removed from rates in the water and wastewater areas for expected changes in the Central Government directed 3 Waters delivery method. This scheme has now been put on hold by Central Government.

Another factor in increases is the maintenance and contractor costs have increased across the whole network due to inflation impacts.

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,

Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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