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Request from:	Janna Sherman – Hokitika Guardian
Information requested:	Cost of current CCO review
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

23 January 2024

Janna Sherman
Hokitika Guardian

Via Email: janna.sherman@hokitikaguardian.co.nz

Dear Janna

Official information request for cost of the current CCO review

I refer to your official information request dated 12 December 2023 for cost of the current CCO review.

You have asked for the following information:

1. The total costs expended to date on the current review of council's CCO's that is underway?

We have decided to withhold this information under section 7(2)(h) – enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

2. Is Price Waterhouse Coopers leading this?

Yes

3. Why was it decided to go with them?

It was decided to use PwC as they have carried out many local authority CCO reviews successfully and they understand local government extremely well, as they are also advisers to many local authorities.

4. How long is the review likely to last, and what is the total budget that has been set aside for this?

The review will be completed shortly. Any preferred options from elected members will be required to be consulted on in the long-term plan.

5. From which budget is this coming?

The review was unbudgeted, however there is a consultant budget available to use for this purpose.

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 long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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