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Request from:	Anusha Bradley – RNZ
Information requested:	Media and Communications information from 2017 – 2022
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

16 June 2022

Anusha Bradley
RNZ

Via Email: anusha.bradley@rnz.co.nz

Dear Anusha

Official information request for media and communications information

I refer to your official information request dated 07 June 2022 for media and communications information.

You have asked for the following information for each financial year 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and for the partial year of 2022 to date:

- 1. Number of FTE communications/media staff employed in each year (this includes all internal and external communications staff/content producers and social media staff)?**

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
1	0	1	1	1	1

- 2. The salary range paid to communications staff in each year?**

We have decided to refuse this part of your request under section 7(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

- 3. Number of communications/media contractors used in each year?**

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
0	1	1	1	0	0

- 4. Total sum paid to communications contractors in each year?**

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
\$0.00	\$48,513.00	\$45,872.00	\$5000.00	N/A	N/A

- 5. A breakdown of positions and numbers employed in each role (i.e. how many media advisors, senior media advisors, internal communications, managers, social media producers/managers)?**

For all years, the same as question 1.

- 6. How many media queries received in each year?**

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
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N/A - All requests were treated as a LGOIMA request.	N/A - All requests were treated as a LGOIMA request.	N/A - All requests were treated as a LGOIMA request.	38 (6 months from July) Not including LGOIMA requests. Direct requests to the Mayor are not recorded.	72 not including LGOIMA requests. Direct requests to the Mayor are not recorded.	42 not including LGOIMA requests.
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7. How many interview requests received in each year?

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Direct requests to the Mayor and Chief Executive are not recorded	Direct requests to the Mayor and Chief Executive are not recorded	Direct requests to the Mayor and Chief Executive are not recorded	Direct requests to the Mayor and Chief Executive are not recorded	Direct requests to the Mayor and Chief Executive are not recorded	Direct requests to the Mayor and Chief Executive are not recorded

8. How many media interviews given, and to which media organisations and when?

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

9. Total salary costs for communications staff each year?

We have decided to refuse this part of your request under section 7(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

10. In each year, how many communications staff paid a salary more than \$100,000 per annum and \$200,000 per annum?

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

There is no charge in supplying this information to you.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Mary-anne Bell, Senior Administration Officer 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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