

2 June 2022

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Dear [REDACTED]

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: 2022-32

Thank you for your email of 9 May 2022 to the Carterton District Council requesting the following information:

*“Would you please supply the individual remunerations for mayor and councillors
For each year over the previous 5 years.
I am not interested in names if that is a problem.
Where people have changed please list part years for each.
A spreadsheet is attached [as Appendix A] for guidance and classifications.
Eg deputy mayor changed part way through year.
Councillors changed part way through a year (by election)*

Please list any changes to any form of remuneration; size and dates of changes.”

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meeting Act 1987 (the Act).

My response to your request is provided in the title order of your request below.

Salary – Financial period ending June 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017

Year ending June 2021

The information on the individual remunerations for the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and Councillors (elected members) can be found in the Annual Report 2021, and is publicly available in our website link below, refer to page 50:

<https://cdc.govt.nz/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/CDC-Annual-Report-2021-PUBLISHED-14-Dec.pdf>

I am refusing your request for individual remunerations for the elected members ending in the financial period June 2021 under section 17(d) of the Act, for the reason that the information that you requested is publicly available.

Year ending June 2020

The information on the individual remunerations for the elected members can be found in the Annual Report 2020, which is publicly available in our website link below, refer to page 53: <https://docs.cdc.govt.nz:8443/download/124514>.

I am refusing your request for individual remunerations for the elected members ending in the financial period June 2020 under section 17(d) of the Act, for the reason that the information that you requested is publicly available.

Year ending June 2019

The information on the individual remunerations for the elected members can be found in the Annual Report 2019, which is publicly available in our website link below, refer to page 50: <https://docs.cdc.govt.nz:8443/download/106927>

I am refusing your request for individual remunerations for the elected members ending in the financial period June 2019 under section 17(d) of the Act, for the reason that the information that you requested is publicly available.

Year ending June 2018

The information on the individual remunerations for the elected members can be found in the Annual Report 2018, which is publicly available in our website link below, refer to page 48: <https://docs.cdc.govt.nz:8443/download/68530>

I am refusing your request for individual remunerations for the elected members ending in the financial period June 2018 under section 17(d) of the Act, for the reason that the information that you requested is publicly available.

Year ending 2017

The information on the individual remunerations for the elected members can be found in the Annual report 2017, which is publicly available in our website link below, refer to page 51: <https://cdc.govt.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2017-Annual-Report-As-published-1.pdf>

I am refusing your request for individual remunerations for the elected members ending in the financial period June 2017 under section 17(d) of the Act, for the reason that the information that you requested is publicly available.

Allowances

In response to this part of your request, the Elected Members (EM) allowances for the financial year ending June 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017 is attached as **Appendix B**.

Benefits supplied (e.g. vehicle)

In response to this part of your request, please refer to 'vehicle usage'.

Bonus

The elected members received no bonus for the financial years ending June 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017.

Expenses paid directly to providers

This part of your request would require substantial collation or research to identify the expenses paid directly to providers on behalf of an EM.

I am refusing the information on expenses paid directly to providers under section 17(f) of the Act, for the reason that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

Expenses reimbursed

The table below provides the expenses reimbursed for the financial year ending June 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017 to an EM. N/A has been used where the person was not an EM for that year. Blank cells are where the person was an EM that year, but had no expenses reimbursed.

Expenses reimbursed to EM	Year ending June 2021	Year ending June 2020	Year ending June 2019	Year ending June 2018	Year ending June 2017
EM 1	\$1,174.52	\$135.25			
EM 2	\$119.50			\$145.16	\$231.41
EM 3			N/A	N/A	N/A
EM 4	\$35.00			\$708.30	
EM 5					
EM 6			N/A	N/A	N/A
EM 7					
EM 8			N/A	N/A	N/A
EM 9		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
EM 10			N/A	N/A	N/A
EM 11	N/A	\$252.12	\$269.30	\$2,129.11	\$1,323.17
EM 12	N/A				
EM 13	N/A				
EM 14	N/A	N/A			
EM 15	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
EM 16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
EM 17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

Vehicle usage

Prior to 2020, the council's mayors were allocated a council vehicle for them to use on council business. From 2020, no specific vehicle is allocated for the use of the mayor, or other elected members. Occasionally the current mayor uses a council pool vehicle to attend meetings. The council is not aware of any other previous and current elected members using the council vehicles.

The information that you are requesting on the vehicle usage for each elected members for the end of the financial year ending in June 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017 would require substantial collation or research.

I am refusing the information on the vehicle usage for the elected members for the end of the financial year ending in June 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, and 2017 under section 17(f) of the Act for the reason that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

Please note, the Council now proactively publishes LGOIMA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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Carterton District Council

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APPENDIX A - Requestor's sheet for guidance and classifications

Carterton District Council

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Mayor

Deputy
Mayor

Councillor

Councillor

Councillor

Councillor

Councillor

Councillor

Year ending June 2021

Salary

Allowances

Benefits supplied (eg vehicle)

Bonus

Expenses paid directly to
providers

Expenses reimbursed

Vehicle Usage

Year ending June 2020

Salary

Allowances eg car, child care etc

Benefits supplied (eg vehicle)

Bonus

Expenses paid directly to
providers

Expenses reimbursed

Vehicle Usage

Year ending June 2019

Salary

Allowances

Benefits supplied (eg vehicle)

Bonus

APPENDIX A - Requestor's sheet for guidance and classifications

Expenses paid directly to
providers
Expenses reimbursed
Vehicle Usage

Year ending June 2018

Salary
Allowances
Benefits supplied (eg vehicle)
Bonus
Expenses paid directly to
providers
Expenses reimbursed
Vehicle Usage

Year ending June 2017

Salary
Allowances
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Size and dates of any increases of any of these forms of remuneration since 1 July 2017

APPENDIX B

Allowances

The tables below show allowances paid to an EM for each financial year.

	1/7/20 - 30/6/21		
EM	Comms Allow	Mileage	Total
EM 1			\$0.00
EM 2		\$133.35	\$133.35
EM 3	\$790.00		\$790.00
EM 4			\$0.00
EM 5			\$0.00
EM 6	\$1,190.00		\$1,190.00
EM 7			\$0.00
EM 8	\$790.00		\$790.00
EM 9			\$0.00
EM 10			\$0.00
Total	\$2,770.00	\$133.35	\$2,903.35

	1/7/19 - 30/6/20		
EM	Comms Allow	Mileage	Total
EM 1		\$237.00	\$237.00
EM 1	\$750.00		\$750.00
EM 3			\$0.00
EM 4			\$0.00
EM 5			\$0.00
EM 6			\$0.00
EM 7			\$0.00
EM 8			\$0.00
EM 10			\$0.00
EM 11	\$640.00		\$640.00
EM 12	\$1,190.00		\$1,190.00
EM 13	\$1,190.00		\$1,190.00
Total	\$3,770.00	\$237.00	\$4,007.00

	1/7/18 - 30/6/19		
EM	Comms Allow	Mileage	Total
EM 1		\$122.64	\$122.64
EM 1	\$1,190.00	\$539.60	\$1,729.60
EM 4			\$0.00
EM 5			\$0.00
EM 7			\$0.00
EM 11	\$640.00		\$640.00
EM 12	\$1,190.00		\$1,190.00
EM 13			\$0.00
EM 14			\$0.00
Total	\$3,020.00	\$662.24	\$3,682.24

	1/7/17 - 30/6/18		
EM	Comms Allow	Mileage	Total
EM 1	\$100.00		\$100.00
EM 1	\$406.67		\$406.67
EM 4			\$0.00
EM 5	\$210.00		\$210.00
EM 7	\$190.00		\$190.00
EM 11	\$440.00		\$440.00
EM 12	\$900.00		\$900.00
EM 13	\$900.00		\$900.00
EM 14	\$333.33		\$333.33
Total	\$3,480.00	\$0.00	\$3,480.00

	1/7/17 - 30/6/18		
EM	Comms Allow	Mileage	Total
EM 1	\$100.00		\$100.00
EM 1	\$406.67		\$406.67
EM 4			\$0.00
EM 5	\$210.00		\$210.00
EM 7	\$190.00		\$190.00
EM 11	\$440.00		\$440.00
EM 12	\$900.00		\$900.00
EM 13	\$900.00		\$900.00
EM 14	\$333.33		\$333.33
Total	\$3,480.00	\$0.00	\$3,480.00

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