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Dear 

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: [add year and numb

Thank you for your email of 27 September 2022 to the Carterton District Council (CDC) requesting the following information:

“As part of our research, ...

- *Does your council provide Public Place recycling bins?*
- *If so, are the bins for mixed recycling (comingled), or are there separate streams for glass / plastic / paper / food / tins, plus a bin for landfill?*
- *What is your estimate of the percentage of recycling contamination?*
- *What is your estimate of the percentage of the collected recycled material that ends up in landfill?*
- *What is the cost per tonne of recycling achieved through Public Place recycling?*
- *What is the cost per tonne of recycling achieved through home recycling schemes?*
- *Do you have any comments you would like to make about the best way forward for recycling in public?”*

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

Our response to your individual questions has been outlined in the order of your questions below.

Does your council provide Public Place recycling bins?

Yes, CDC council provides recycling bins in the public place.

If so, are the bins for mixed recycling (comingled), or are there separate streams for glass / plastic / paper / food / tins, plus a bin for landfill?

The bins are separate stream recycle bins, and the GEN WASTE bins are provided in some parks and reserves.

What is your estimate of the percentage of recycling contamination?

The estimate percentage of recycling contamination is less than 10%.

What is your estimate of the percentage of the collected recycled material that ends up in landfill?

CDC's estimate percentage of the collected recycled material that ends up in the landfill is between 1% to 2%.

What is the cost per tonne of recycling achieved through Public Place recycling?

CDC does not hold this information.

What is the cost per tonne of recycling achieved through home recycling schemes?

CDC does not hold this information.

Do you have any comments you would like to make about the best way forward for recycling in public?

Request that manufactures and/or suppliers use less plastic packaging and encourage eco habits.

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. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact our media team in the first instance at comms@cdc.govt.nz. If you are unsatisfied with my response, you have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review it. 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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