

Reference Number: 2023/957

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## **Response - Official Information Request**

I refer to your request for information received on 24 April 2023. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

Please provide the following information for the financial years 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23:

## **Compulsory redundancies**

Horowhenua District Council (Council) have had no compulsory redundancies for the 2020/21 and 2021/22 financial year. We have had 2 redundancies for 2022/23 financial year. The statutory redundancy payment was \$130,780.50 (gross). There was no discretionary payment, and none of the employees were eligible for payment of pension.

## **Voluntary redundancies**

Council had no voluntary redundancies for the 2020/21 and 2021/22 financial year. We have had 1 redundancy for 2022/23 financial year. The statutory redundancy payment was \$32,395.50 (gross). There was no discretionary payment, and none of the employees were eligible for payment of pension.

## Early payment of pension

There were no pensions paid to any of the individuals that received a redundancy payment.

It is necessary to withhold the age bands of the employees under s7(2)( of the LGOIMA, to protect individual privacy. Due to the low numbers of redundancies, it would be very easy to potentially determine who was paid.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or free phone 0800 802 602.



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If you have any queries regarding this information, please contact the LGOIMA Officer on LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz

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