

Reference Number: 2023/988

17 July 2023



Tēnā koe

Response - Official Information Request

I refer to your request for information received on 30/06/2023. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

Horowhenua District Council purchases flowers and bottled water (if any) mainly from a local supermarket, and on the very rare occasion through the credit card, and from other florists.

We do not keep spending information at the level where we could easily identify spending on flowers and bottled water, without having to go through each invoice for the period from 1 Jan 2022 to 30 June 2023.

However, spending information is available where we have purchased directly from florists and this is shown below:

Year	Amount (incl. GST) spent on Flowers	Amount (incl. GST) spent on bottled water
2022	\$805	Not available
January 2023 – June 2023	Not available	Not available

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz 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

Ngā mihi

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