

6 June 2024

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 8 April 2024 to Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting the following information:

This is a request for clarification of official information under the under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 in relation to the Climate Change Team.

We request the following information:

- *The total cost of this department.*
- *The total number of staff and job titles of each.*
- *Please clarify if any of these roles are contractors.*

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Your request has been granted, please see our response below.

In June 2019 Wellington City Council declared an ecological and climate emergency and adopted 'Te Atakura – First to Zero' which made addressing climate change a key priority for Council. This coincided with greater central government action on climate change including New Zealand's post-2020 commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions under the Paris Agreement.

In response, the Climate Change Response team was created and resourced to deliver on the ambition and expectation of elected members that the City play its part in meeting city, regional, and national emission reduction targets.

Currently, 23 staff are working across 20.55 full-time positions in the Climate Change team. The combined annual salary cost for the 23 employees is \$2,428,352.34. Three of the behaviour change roles are funded via Greater Wellington Regional Council.

The job titles and number of staff occupying the roles are listed in the table below.

Job Title	FTE
Manager Climate Change Response	1
Programme management support (contractor)	0.5
Business Support Officer	1
External Partnerships Lead Iwi	0.5
Manager Behaviour Change	1
Behaviour Change Delivery Lead	2
Senior Behaviour Change Advisor	1
Senior Behaviour Change Specialist	1.75
Behaviour Change Officer	3.8 (3 GWRC) (0.8 WCC)
Climate Action Strategy Lead	1
Advisor Climate Acton	1
Senior Advisor Climate Action	1
Senior Advisor Zero Carbon	1
Climate Change Adaptation Lead	1
External Partnerships Lead	1
Principal Advisor Climate Change Adaptation	1
Climate Adaptation Officer	1
Total	Headcount 23 FTE 20.55

If you require further information, please contact assurance@wcc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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