

12 August 2026

File Ref: 26-0002

By email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Official information request

We refer to your official information request dated 15 July and received by Selwyn Water on 17 July 2026, which we understand to be for:

- Year-to-date expenditure with Beca
- The number of staff directly employed by Selwyn Water
- Any costs charged back to Selwyn District Council

The information you have requested is as follows:

Question	Response
What is the year-to-date cost that Selwyn Water has paid to consultants (Beca)?	For the year ended 30 June 2026, Selwyn Water spent \$206,629.68 (excluding GST) with Beca Ltd. An additional \$5,719.00 (excluding GST) was spent in July 2026.
How many direct staff Selwyn Water employ?	38 full time equivalents as at 30 June 2026
Is any cost passed from Selwyn Water back to the Selwyn Council?	Selwyn Water operates under its own financial structure as a separate Council-Controlled Organisation. While it manages its own revenue and expenditure, there are circumstances where costs may be charged to Selwyn District Council for services provided or costs incurred on the Council's behalf. From 1 July 2026 Selwyn District Council will be charged for water used by Council owned properties.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published on our website with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely



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