

1 October 2026

File Ref: 26-0010

By email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Official information request – consultant spend

We refer to your official information request received from Selwyn District Council dated 27 September 2026.

We publish LGOIMA and media responses on our website. Consultant spend on our establishment has already been asked previously and reported in the media.

You can find this at the following link:

[Media and LGOIMA responses | Selwyn Water](#)

Selwyn Water does not hold separate information on the total number of consultant hours worked across all engagements and is therefore unable to calculate an average hourly consultant cost. Accordingly, this aspect of the request is refused under section 17(e) of the LGOIMA as the information requested is not held.

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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