

15 August 2024

File Ref: OIAPR-1274023063-29863

By email: [REDACTED]

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

### **Request for information 2024-188**

I refer to your request for information dated 9 August 2024, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 9 August 2024. You have requested the following:

*“Under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, I would like to please request the following, broken down by the past two financial years (2022/23 and 2023/24):*

- *The total number of Code of Conduct complaints received regarding elected members in each of the past two financial years*
- *The number of Code of Conduct complaints which were upheld in each of those financial years*
- *The total cost of investigating and resolving Code of Conduct complaints in each of those two financial years”*

### **Greater Wellington’s response follows:**

There have been no Code of Conduct complaints processed by Greater Wellington regarding elected members in the past two financial years.

### **Additional information**

You may have seen media reporting on 8 May 2024 that two Greater Wellington Councillors were facing a Code of Conduct investigation. A complaint was received from a member of the public; that complaint did not meet the requirements to be considered as a Code of Conduct complaint under section 4.2 of Greater Wellington’s *Code of Conduct for Councillors*.

The Code of Conduct can be viewed on Greater Wellington's website at <https://www.gw.govt.nz/document/16494/code-of-conduct-for-councillors/>.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington's website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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