RURAL CITY LIVING

LGOIMA Response to



20 August 2024

Dear

Thank you for your information request dated 9 August 2024 in which you asked for:

- 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

The Council has reviewed your request and provides the following response:

There was one Code of Conduct complaint in 2022-23. Legal fees associated with this complaint were \$2,326.14 (GST inclusive)

There was also one complaint in 2023-24. Legal fees associated with this complaint were \$2,551.09 (GST inclusive)

Both complaints were ruled invalid and did not require further action.

If you are unsatisfied with the response, you are entitled to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Ombudsmen. You can find more information on its website <u>http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</u>

Kind regards

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Sonia Gerken General Manager Communications / Customer Support