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Request from:	Nick Clark – Federated Farmers of New Zealand
Information requested:	Breakdown of rates revenues
Response by:	Simon Bastion, Chief Executive

Nick Clark
Federated Farmers of New Zealand
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Christchurch 8543

Via Email: nclark@fedfarm.org.nz

Dear Nick

Official information request for information on rates revenue and uniform charges

I refer to your official information request dated 21 July 2021 for information on rates revenue and uniform charges.

You have asked for the following information:

- 1. I would be pleased if you would provide the rate revenue (exclusive of GST) from your various property categories from the general rate/uniform annual general charge, other targeted rates and targeted rates for properties connected to Council operated water and wastewater schemes.**

We are unable to breakdown the rating revenue as you have requested, therefore we have decided to refuse your request under section 17 (f) of LGOIMA – that the information requested cannot be made available with substantial collation or research.

We can provide the following breakdowns:

Category	Total General Rates charged for 2020/21 (excl. GST) \$
Rural	\$2,423,018
Rural Residential	\$1,227,747
Residential	\$2,399,700
Commercial	\$1,727,599
Total	\$7,778,064

Category	Total Targeted (Non-Water/Wastewater) Rates charged for 2020/21 (excl. GST) \$
Rural	\$443,512
Rural Residential	\$537,743
Residential	\$1,061,615
Commercial	\$1,290,244
Total	\$3,333,113

Category	Total Targeted (Water/Wastewater connections) Rates charged for 2020/21 (excl. GST and metered water charges) \$
Rural Residential	\$12,965
Rural	\$17,142
Residential	\$1,483,076
Commercial	\$2,851,024
Total	\$4,364,207

2. I would appreciate it if you could advise the percentage of total rate revenue (to two decimal places) allocated as uniform annual charges, whether general or targeted, in terms of the calculation required by section 21 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.

Report on 30% Cap (Section 21 LGRA)	
Uniform Rates as a Percentage of Total Rates	21.70%

There is no charge in supplying this information to you.

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.

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If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Mary-anne Bell, Senior Administration Officer at LGOIMA@westlanddc.govt.nz, 03 756 9091.

Sincerely,



Simon Bastion | Chief Executive

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