

Our Reference: A1698813

30 September 2022

Via Email: fyi-request-20645-ba07c1e5@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Sir/Madam

Request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA)

We refer to your information request received 22 September 2022. A copy of your request is set out below:

“On 18/07/2022 the ORC began operating a reduced bus schedule in Dunedin due to disruptions in driver availability resulting from illness and COVID-19.

Can you please able to provide a breakdown of staffing available during this period by date. In the form [date], [total FTE available], [rostered staff], [number of staff on illness or COVID led]. Can you also please provide detail of any recruitment undertaken during this time including the number of job adverts publicly listed (i.e. on Seek), the specific role advertised (i.e. bus driver), the number of days each advert was listed (i.e. 9 days), the number of shortlisted candidates for each advert, the number of interviews for each role, and the number of new hire.

Can you also provide the a week by week summary of the operating costs of the ORC bus service for the last four months.“

The Otago Regional Council is responsible for implementing public transport services in Otago. The ORC provides public passenger transport services through contracted operators in Dunedin and Queenstown. The contracted operators are responsible for their own recruitment, rostering and weekly budgeting.

As the information you are seeking is not held by the Otago Regional Council, we are therefore refusing your request under section 17(g) of the LGOIMA, as the information requested is not held by the local authority.

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.

Yours sincerely

Official Information Team
Otago Regional Council