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Dear Patrick

**Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA):
Request for Information**

I refer to your email of 13 March 2023 requesting information on the current farebox recovery percentage (target and actual) for the Christchurch Metro network, and what proportions or percentages of the costs of running the Christchurch Metro system met from fares, local government, central government or other funding sources.

Your request has been referred to me to reply.

The delivery of the public transport system is funded through several sources – central government funding (financial assistance rates - FAR), rates and fares.

While central government policies set out the FAR level received, rates and fares are set by Environment Canterbury. You can find a break-down of this on page 54 of the [Canterbury Regional Public Transport Plan](#). The Government contribution is currently higher due to the public transport half price bus fare initiative.

Please see the table below for the specific figures you requested.

Summary	FY2022/23 Target (AP)	Feb/23 YTD (Actual)
Cost recovery	21%	25%
Funding Split		
Fare revenue	17%	10%
Advertising and other revenue	1%	1%
Government Grant	44%	53%
ECan local funding	38%	36%

You will be aware that if you are not satisfied with this response, you are able to refer this matter to the Office of the Ombudsman under s27(3) of the LGOIMA.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact LGOIMA@ecan.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,



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