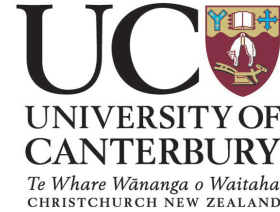


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24 April 2024

Kevin Smith

By email: fyi-request-26517-6e90499c@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Kevin

OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST 24.37 Future Buller correspondence

I refer to the Official Information Act (the Act) request dated 23 April 2024 for information relating to correspondence and complaints regarding the Future Buller project. You have specifically requested:

- *Future Buller is a collaboration between UC and Buller District Council.
The Future Buller team travelled about the Buller region in Nov and Dec 2023.
Tracey Hatton and Nohah Forde were two staff that attended the meetings.*

Eight meetings were held and the attendance numbers were generally single digit, the last meeting at Reefton was understood to have zero public involved.

Could I please request copies of the correspondence related to the tour and in particular any feedback or reporting from the team.

There were formal complaints laid with both WCRC and BDC over the presentations. The earlier ones were combined with a WCRC TTPP team.

One complaint was laid on the grounds of Economy, Effectiveness and Intent.

Many participants thought the process wasteful. There was general dissatisfaction.

I am requesting copies of any reports, including the complaints, and how they were dealt with.

We have transferred your request to the Buller District Council (BDC). The information to which your request relates is believed to be more closely connected with the functions of the BDC. In these circumstances, we are required by section 14(b)(ii) of the Official Information Act to transfer your request. You will hear further from the BDC concerning your request. They can be contacted at LGOIMA@bdc.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Claire O'Connell'.

Claire O'Connell

Information Compliance Officer