

From: [Kerrie Falconer](#)
To: [James Ford](#)
Subject: RE: Query from Stuff re Upper Hutt
Date: Friday, 27 September 2024 10:04:13 am

Just leave it till he calls

From: James Ford <@.>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 9:59 AM
To: Kerrie Falconer <@.>
Subject: Re: Query from Stuff re Upper Hutt

Do you want me to or just leave it till he calls?

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From: Kerrie Falconer <@.>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 9:57:39 AM
To: James Ford <@.>
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I haven't let her know that.

From: James Ford <@.>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 9:56 AM
To: Kerrie Falconer <@.>
Subject: RE: Query from Stuff re Upper Hutt

Thanks, do you want me to respond to her to let her know or have you?

From: Kerrie Falconer <@.>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 9:55 AM
To: James Ford <@.>; Wayne Guppy <@.>; Toni Neale <@.>
Cc: Donna Baker <@.>; Liezel Jahnke <@.>
Subject: RE: Query from Stuff re Upper Hutt

Morning James

Wayne was going to try calling Annemarie as he's tied up most of the day.

From: James Ford <@.>
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 9:54 AM
To: Wayne Guppy <@.>; Toni Neale <@.>; Kerrie Falconer <@.>
Cc: Donna Baker <@.>; Liezel Jahnke <@.>

Subject: FW: Query from Stuff re Upper Hutt

FYI below. Will you be doing this Wayne?

From: Annemarie Quill <@..>

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2024 6:10 AM

To: Wayne Guppy <@..>; On behalf of the media team
<@..>

Subject: Query from Stuff re Upper Hutt

Hi Wayne

I'm Annemarie from Stuff. As we have been focusing on the cbd a lot this week in light of the WFH debate, we'd like to take a look at Upper Hutt - or both Upper and Lower

The crux of it is how UP/The Hutt Valley has shed its bogan /badlands image and become a highly desirable place to live?

But frame it in a positive way looking at its growth/future growth and challenges.

I'm going to follow the structure and tone of this story we did yesterday on Rolleston <https://www.stuff.co.nz/nz-news/350429728/town-future-rise-and-rise-christchurch-suburb-rolleston>

And using the subheads of: **house prices, shops/retail/hospitality, schools, population, jobs**

Is this something you could comment on for each subhead?

Happy to do over the phone if you prefer but I thought it would be helpful to write it out - and hopefully you already have some of this data/comment to hand.

Also looking to feature in the story -and video, someone who has recently moved to the Hutt to buy a house, and why they chose it over other areas. And if possible, someone who has recently chose it to open a biz.

Gosh this is a lot for a Friday morning isn't it - but would you have time to look at this today? Doesn't have to be super long answers - just the main points.

Let me know what works

Thanks so much, appreciate your time and insight

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