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Dear Samuel

Official Information Request - Staff

Last month you requested some information of this Council under the Local Government Official Information Act. We pride ourselves on prompt responses to official information requests so I apologise for the time taken to reply to yours.

In response to your first request, technically the South Taranaki District Council only employs one person directly and that is myself as the Chief Executive. I suspect however, that you are seeking details of all staff employed at this Council and to assist I have attached a spreadsheet showing our latest information.

In respect of your second request, the South Taranaki District Council has yet to formally consider the issue of amalgamation with our neighbouring councils so there is nothing I can provide you with at this stage. At a recent meeting of the Taranaki Mayoral Forum, this subject was briefly discussed and representatives noted there was no discernable community demand and any serious consideration of this would need to be driven by clear public demand. It was agreed that this issue should be discussed at a future Mayoral Forum once all Councils had an opportunity to consider their stance.

Accordingly, my Council is likely to consider this matter at some stage in the near future.

If I can be of any further assistance kindly let me know.

Yours sincerely



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Chief Executive

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