



# *West Coast District Health Board*

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### **RE Official information request WCDHB 9279**

I refer to your email dated 31 January 2019, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB regarding DHB Parking. Specifically:

**I request the following information for each of the 2015/16, 2016/17, and 2017/18 financial years:**

- 1. The total revenue from patients and visitors paying to park their vehicles in any DHB parking space.**
- 2. Are any parking spaces provided to employees? If so, what is the total economic value of the parks?**
- 3. The total revenue collected from employee parking spaces.**
- 4. The total number of DHB parking spaces.**
- 5. The total revenue generated from fines and infringement fees as a result of staff, patients, and visitors parking their vehicles improperly.**
- 6. The total number of fines and infringement notices issued. Please also disclose the number of fines and infringement notices that were waived.**
- 7. The total cost of the DHBs parking enforcement system. Please ensure to include any payments or wages made to contractors or staff to patrol the DHB parking spaces.**
- 8. The current hourly charge for a user to park a vehicle in any DHB parking space. If parking is charged at a time interval other than hourly, please disclose the relevant interval(s) and charge(s).**
- 9. A list of any parking concession charges or exemptions available to patients or visitors.**

None of the car parks at any of the West Coast DHB hospitals or facilities are paid parks. Consequently, no revenue is, nor has ever been, derived by West Coast DHB (nor any other agency) from any car parking charges or fines, nor any other associated parking related matters, at any of our hospitals or other health facilities.

Free parking at our West Coast DHB facilities applies and has always applied to all patients, visitors and staff alike.

West Coast DHB has the following car parking places at our hospitals:

- **Grey Base Hospital:** There are a total of 326 designated parking places at Grey Base Hospital. This figure includes 260 general parking places available to anyone; 12 accessible parks, 33 designated patient only parks; and 2 designated visitor only parks. There are 19 designated

staff only parking places at Grey Base Hospital. While best efforts are made to reduce impact to the bare minimum, parking in some of these areas is periodically restricted from time to time as work is currently being undertaken in the building of new hospital facility on the Grey Base Hospital campus site at this time.

- **Buller Health:** 90 designated general parking places. One parking area is a big open-area car park, in which an additional 10 more cars could easily fit if the centre part is utilised, over and above the 90 designated spaces.
- **Reefton Health:** At this very small combined country hospital and GP practice located within Reefton township, there is just one designated disability park for patients directly located on the hospital grounds. Public parking for patients and visitors is on the town streets (on Broadway, Mace and Shiel Streets) that entirely and immediately surround the Reefton Hospital facility on three sides - just a few metres from the buildings themselves. As such, no separate additional parking is located directly on the Reefton hospital grounds.

I trust that this satisfies your interest in this matter.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the West Coast DHB website after your receipt of this response.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn Gullery', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

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