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RE Official information Act request WCDHB 9531

I refer to your email dated 9 March 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB regarding information relating to 74 Derby Street, Westport, a house owned by the West Coast DHB. Specifically:

1. When was the house last occupied by DHB staff?
2. Has anyone else occupied the house since - if so when was it last occupied?
3. How much rental income - if any - has the DHB received from the house in the last decade?

The house situated at 74 Derby Street, Westport was last occupied approximately 18 years ago, and no one has occupied it since. The West Coast DHB has derived no rental income from this house in the last decade.

4. How much has the house cost the DHB each year for the last decade for: maintenance (including lawns), rates, insurance, other costs (each item listed separately please)?

The below figures in **Table one** are for the period November 2013 – Feb 2021. Due to restrictions in software systems, figures before this time cannot be obtained.

Table one:

Financial Year	Rates	Lawns
2013/2014	2,249.60	449.36
2014/2015	3,230.58	969.28
2015/2016	3,192.02	437.88
2016/2017	3,267.49	482.84
2017/2018	3,280.37	1,229.68
2018/2019	3,388.18	1,343.38
2019/2020	3,607.58	782.61
2020/2021	1,811.14	739.16
Total	24,026.96	6,434.19

***Note:** Financial information is GST exclusive

Insurance - All West Coast DHB properties are collectively insured under a single policy. We are unable to provide cost for an individual property.

5. Why has the DHB not sold the property or renovated it to a rental standard, given Westport is very short of housing?

The DHB on an annual basis works through a capital prioritisation process, and clinical requirements to support the safe and effective delivery of care are prioritised. Additionally, buildings and properties that directly accommodate or support the delivery of care are prioritised over other properties that the DHB may have responsibility for. This potentially results in deferred maintenance on non-essential buildings and properties.

6. What are the DHB's plans for the property?

The West Coast DHB is currently undertaking a stocktake of its property portfolio across the coast. This will involve understanding current values of those properties along with the costs to upgrade to an acceptable standard. This will give the Board a strategic overview and inform any decisions which may involve upgrading or disposing of anything deemed surplus.

I trust 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



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