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RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9593

I refer to your email dated 30 August 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB. Specifically:

1. **What is the total number DHB funded aged residential care facilities in the West Coast region, between 2015 and 2021, broken down by year?**

Table one:

year	WCDHB owned ARC	Privately owned ARC
2015	4	5
2016	3	5
2017	2	5
2018	2	4
2019	2	4
2020	2	4
2021	2	4

2. **The number of people in aged residential care facilities in the West Coast region, between 2015 and 2021, broken down by year?**

Please refer to **Table two** (below) for the number of people in aged residential care facilities funded by the West Coast DHB between 2015 and July 2021. (These are residents in both DHB owned and privately-owned facilities.)

Table

year	Distinct NHI Count_In_ARC
2015	323
2016	316
2017	316
2018	307
2019	312
2020	291
2021	271

3. **What is the number of WCDHB funded aged residential care facilities that have closed between 2015 and 2021, broken down by year?**

WCDHB owned ARC facilities

2015/16 one facility

2016/17 one facility

Private owned ARC facility

2017 one facility

4. **Could you please provide the name and locations of the WCDHB funded aged residential care facilities that have closed between 2015 and 2021?**
5. **What is the reason each of the facilities above were closed?**

The two facilities that the West Coast DHB closed in Westport 2015-2017 were Kynnersley and Dunsford homes. It is unusual for DHBs to own Aged Residential Care facilities. The buildings required a substantial renovation to meet audit requirements and another local private provider expanded their bed numbers which provided a purpose built solution for older people in the Buller region with all levels of Aged residential care.

The private provider that closed in March 2017 was Kowhai Manor, Greymouth. Following an Audit, the Ministry of Health withdrew certification of Kowhai Manor, Greymouth and the facility was closed citing '*sustained risk and non-compliance issues*'.

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



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