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## **RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9614**

I refer to your email dated 7 October 2021 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast DHB. Specifically:

West Coast DHB noted ice-creams are being served to everyone getting vaccinated in Hokitika this weekend (9/10 October 2021). Can you please confirm where the ice-cream money is coming from?

Incentives to encourage vaccination of the New Zealand population, such as ice-creams, is an allocated part of the COVID-19 vaccination funding received by the West Coast DHB.

The West Coast DHB is focussed on ensuring West Coast residents get vaccinated to protect our community and minimise the impact of COVID-19. Utilising a variety of tools including incentives is a way to achieve this.

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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