



# *West Coast District Health Board*

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### **RE Official Information Act request WCDHB 9703**

I refer to your email dated 25 May 2022 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act from West Coast. Specifically:

**1. How much it costs to run your diesel boiler at Te Nikau per month**

During the past 12 months while burning Diesel for the Boiler the average cost per month is \$26,480.00

**2. How much it costs to run the coal boiler at Te Nikau per month**

During the past 12 months the average cost when burning coal is \$16,430.16 per month.

**3. Do you plan on giving up on diesel due to the cost?**

**4. What are your future plans?**

Diesel is only intended as a backup to the coal boilers and has been used recently due to temporary site works restricting coal deliveries. We are looking at options to replace coal but, irrespective, diesel will remain as a backup only.

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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