

From: [LGOIMA](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: LGOIMA request - Dog Registration fees, legal definition and authority - Reference: 1654 Wednesday, 14 February 2024 11:36:06 am
Date: February 2024 11:36:06 am
Attachments: [Financial Breakdown Dog Control.pdf](#)

Kia ora [REDACTED],

I refer to your official information request dated 15 January 2024. The information you have requested is below:

Please provide a financial breakdown of the “dog registration fees” how that money is spent within the council and how this money helps the dog owners paying for the service

The Tasman District Council collects revenue through dog registration, which is paid into a dedicated account set up for this purpose. The revenue is used to pay for services related to the management of dogs in the district and funds our Dog Control Contractor Control Services and staff involved in the administration of this area. This information is publicly available on Councils website within the Long Term Plan, in the performance measures, on page 72 - [Tasman's 10-Year Plan 2021 - 2031 | Tasman District Council](#).

A full report on dog control related activity is presented to the Environment and Regulatory Committee annually - [Dog control policy | Tasman District Council](#)

Please find **attached** a financial breakdown for the previous three years, and aggregated the financial info. - “Financial Breakdown Dog Control.pdf”

If you are not satisfied with Council’s response, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact the Legal and Democracy Services team on lgoima@tasman.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,
Legal Services Officer

Dogs and Animal Control Financial Breakdown

	2022/23	2021/22	2021/20
Dog Registration Fees	469,922	426,266	407,461
Council Staff & Contractors	455,011	404,349	404,807
Pound Costs	7,927	7,716	5,920
Dog Control Signage	3,135	1,014	2,369
Database	4,680	6,258	6,198
Printing & Stationery	5,306	9,168	5,718
	<u>476,059</u>	<u>428,507</u>	<u>425,010</u>
Deficit on Dog Related Costs	- 6,137	- 2,241	- 17,550
Other Costs & Enforcement costs	58,528	64,972	58,098
Overheads	50,215	26,451	40,098
Deficit Before Other Income	<u>- 114,880</u>	<u>- 93,663</u>	<u>- 115,745</u>
Other Income			
Rates Subsidy	25,186	24,725	22,679
Investment Subsidy	15,027	14,727	14,649
Other	49,530	41,672	57,875
Total Other Income	<u>89,742</u>	<u>81,125</u>	<u>95,203</u>
Deficit for Dogs and Animal Control	- 25,137	- 12,538	- 20,542