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Kia ora Oliver

Climate Webinar

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), received 07 August 2023.

Wellington City Council has **partially granted** your request for information. Please see the below response to your request regarding the 'Community Climate Conversation' webinar.

1. How many people viewed the webinar live?

42 people watched live.

2. How many questions were asked in the Q&A?

32 questions total were asked. 9 questions were answered live, 5 were considered unclear or answered by the content of the webinar, and the remaining 18 questions were answered post-webinar.

3. Except for those speaking at the webinar, how many council staff went to the webinar or watched the webinar?

We do not know how many Council staff watched live or have watched it since, as we do not track the identities of the people who attend or view the recording. This part of your request has been refused under section 17(g) of the Act as the information is not held by Council.

4. Were council staff encouraged to attend?

Our communications focused on external participants, while Council employees were welcome, they were not a focus of our outreach.

5. What day of the week and what time of day did the webinar occur?

Monday at 7 pm.

6. How much did it cost to produce, film, and promote the webinar?

\$7,976.21 plus GST. This figure is largely made up of production costs such as the studio hire, cameras, lighting, and access to the question-and-answer software used. No money was spent on paid promotions: we did communications via WCC Social Media channels, Residents Wrap, Advisory Groups, Community Facebook Pages, TWIOW (This week in Our Wellington)

7. If possible, how many working days went into making the webinar?

It is estimated that each of the presenters spent approximately half a day on preparation.

8. How many people have watched it so far and watched it on the day?

42 watched it on the day. The number of views since can be found on the YouTube views counter here: [\(169\) Community Climate Conversation - YouTube](#) as of 18 August, it is 224 views.

9. How many questions were sent to the climateaction@wcc.govt.nz email for the Q&A and how many people watched the Q&A?

No questions have been sent since the webinar. The number of people who watched the Q&A is the same as the number of people who watched the webinar (42) as it was part of the same session.

10. Were the panellists paid for their attendance? If so, how much?

All the panellists are Council employees. They participated as part of their role as Wellington City Council employees.

11. How many staff have been involved in producing this series, researching, writing or appearing in it?

Four Wellington City Council employees appeared in the first webinar this included three panellists and a moderator, alongside three other Wellington City Council staff during the session to support with tech and the Q&A. The same people were involved in researching and writing for the first webinar. Planning for the series is being led by one staff member.

Right of review

If you are not satisfied with the Council's response, you may request the Office of the Ombudsman to investigate the Council's decision. Further information is available on the Ombudsman website, www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note, we may proactively release our response to your request with your personal information removed.

Thank you again for your request, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

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