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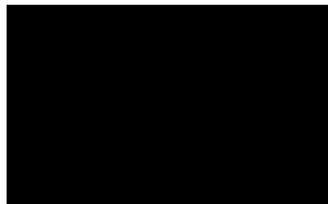
From: Lauren McDonald
Sent: Tuesday, 25 May 2021 02:23 p.m.
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Response to LGOIMA request regarding alcohol and drug testing

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing in response to your official information request (detailed below), received on 2 May 2021.

Requester Details

Name:
Organisation:
Address:
Phone:
Email:



Request

Request Text

Dear Sir or Madam Official information request: Drug & alcohol pathology/testing at the Dunedin City Council Please supply the following information under the [Official Information Act (OIA) / Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA)]: 1. Does the organisation carry out drugs and alcohol testing (among employees or other persons)? 2. If drug and alcohol testing does take place at the organisation: a. Who currently provides the testing service i.e., name of service provider(s)? b. For each (named) service provider: i. What is the nature of the drug & alcohol testing service delivered e.g., saliva, urine, breath and alcohol and synthetic cannabinoids? ii. In what geographic location(s) is the service delivered? iii. Is the service provided under contract? If yes: 1. How many contracts does the provider have with your organisation? 2. What is the term of that/those contract(s)? 3. What is the dollar value of that/those contract(s)? 4. Are there options for renewing that/those contract(s)? c. What organisation(s)/company(ies) previously conducted drug and alcohol testing for your organisation (repeat all of 'b' for previous service providers)? If you need any more information from me, please let me know as soon as possible. I understand that a decision on a request for information under the [OIA/LGOIMA] should be made within 20 working days of receiving that request. If you do not normally deal with official information requests, or you need advice on dealing with this request, guidance is available from the Ombudsman at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Yours faithfully, [REDACTED]

I advise that this request has been given consideration under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and our responses are set out below with your questions restated to assist with clarity.

1. Does the organisation carry out drugs and alcohol testing (among employees or other persons)?

The Dunedin City Council does carry out drug and alcohol testing but only when impairment has been reported to our Human Resources team.

2. If drug and alcohol testing does take place at the organisation

a) Who currently provides the testing service ?

Council work with local Health Centres, as their services are requested/available.

b) What is the nature of the drug & alcohol testing service delivered e.g. saliva, urine, breath and alcohol and synthetic cannabinoids?

Urine testing

c) In what geographic location is the service delivered

The service is delivered in the Otago region.

d) Is the service provided under contract?

The Dunedin City Council does not have a service provider under contract, therefore we have not included responses to questions 1b, iii and 1-4 of the second part of your request as these are not relevant.

3. What organisation previously conducted drug and alcohol testing for your organisation?

The Dunedin City Council has previously used the Mornington Health Centre to provide drug and alcohol testing.

I trust that this provides the information you requested.

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