

24 June 2026

Local Government Official Information Request

Thank you for your request for information from Council. All requests to the Council for information are required to be considered in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). More information about how the Council handles LGOIMA requests can be found in the Council's LGOIMA Request Policy which is available on the Council's website [LGOIMA Request Policy: Rangitikei District Council](#)

Your request for information was received on 29 May 2026 and requested information about museum and gallery funding over the last 4 financial years. Your questions and our response can be found below:

Question 1:

The amount of funding your Council has provided to public museums and galleries for each of the last 4 financial years. *Please note that 2025/26 figures are year to date as financial year is still current.

Response:

Financial Year	Museums (\$)	Galleries (\$)
2022/23	\$5,130.00	\$2,083.75
2023/24	\$0	\$2,764.00
2024/25	\$3,184.35	\$4,000
2025/26	\$700*	\$1,014.67*

These figures are GST exclusive.

Museum funding comprised:

- Taihape Museum – Garden Project 2022/23: \$1,000 plus GST – Communities Initiatives Fund.
- Marton Museum – Archiving Project 2022/23: \$2,500 GST zero rated - Community Initiatives Fund.
- Mangaweka Museum – Mangaweka Day event sponsorship 2022/2023: \$1,630 GST zero rated – Events Sponsorship Fund.
- Marton Museum – Archiving Project 2024/25: \$1,880 GST zero rated – Community Initiatives Fund
- Taihape Museum – Photo Board Project – 2024/25: \$1,304.35 plus GST– Taihape Community Board Small Projects Fund.
- Taihape Museum – Signage Project 2025/26: \$700* plus GST – Community Initiatives Fund.

Gallery funding comprised:

- Yellow House Gallery – Trail Brochure 2022/23 \$940 GST zero rated – Creative Communities Scheme.
- Yellow House Gallery – Screen Print Workshop 2022/23: \$1,143.75 GST zero rated – Creative Communities Schemes.
- Square Edge Community Arts – Arts Trail 2024 2023/24: \$2,764.00 GST zero rated – Creative Communities Schemes.
- Square Edge Community Arts – Art Trail 2025 2024/25: \$4,000 GST zero rated – Creative Communities Schemes.
- Square Edge Community Arts – Arts Trail 2026 2025/26: \$1,014.67* GST zero rated – Creative Communities Schemes.

Question 2:

The amount (if any) allocated specifically for acquisitions of art and other items for museums and galleries for the last 4 financial years.

Response:

Council has not allocated any funding specifically for the acquisition of art, artifacts, or other collection items for museums and galleries during the last for financial years.

Question 3:

The two amounts above as a percentage of total Council spending for each finance year.

Response:

Financial Year	Museums (%)	Galleries (%)	Total (%)
2022/23	0.008963%	0.003641%	0.012604%
2023/24	0%	0.004520%	0.004520%
2024/25	0.005525%	0.006941%	0.012466%
2025/26	Not available*	Not available*	Not available*

*Please note as the 2025/26 financial year is still current, we are unable to get a percentage.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests, where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly at [RDC Official Information - Proactive Release](#) with your personal information removed.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to email lgoima@rangitikei.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,

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