

10 March 2026

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Email: ██████████

Dear ██████████

### 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 25 February 2026 and requested information about payments for the Before U Dig service. Your questions and our response can be found below:

#### **Question 1:**

"I would like to request the total amount spent by your council for the BeforeUDig service per year for each of the past five years. Many territorial authorities are listed as 'members' on the BUD website. If your council is not currently a member/customer of BUD but used BUD in the past, please provide the most recent five years of data. If your council has never engaged BUD, please confirm this".

#### **Response:**

Council confirms that it has used 'BeforeUDig' services over the past five years. The table below shows the GST inclusive amount spent by Council, on 'BeforeUDig' services, over the last five financial years. Please note that Council's financial year is 1 July to 30 June.

Financial Year	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
BeforeUDig expenditure (GST incl.)	\$4,533	\$4,423	\$4,003	\$4,068	\$4,183

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](http://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.

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If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to email [lgoima@rangitikei.govt.nz](mailto:lgoima@rangitikei.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely,

LGOIMA Officer  
**Rangitikei District Council**