



24 October 2025

By email: [REDACTED]

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Official Information request and response

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act ("OIA") dated 2 October 2025.

You have requested:

Do you give money to our local media outlets currently?

1. *The Whakatane Beacon [Newspaper]*
2. *Radio 1XX*
3. *Sun FM*

If you do, are there rules on how the money must be spent? If so can I have a copy please?

We confirm NZ On Air does not currently fund any of the above media outlets. We therefore decline this request under section 18(e) of the OIA on grounds that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist.

For your information, funding provided by NZ On Air for all successful projects is [searchable](#) on our website. You can also [sign up](#) to receive our regular industry newsletter via our website.

You have the right to refer this response to the Ombudsman if you are dissatisfied with it. More information on how to do this is [here](#). NZ On Air proactively releases information in accordance with the Government's commitment to the Open Government Partnership National Action Plan. This includes publishing responses to requests for information under the OIA. Please note that this response (with your name removed) will be published on the NZ On Air website shortly and will remain on our website for 12 months.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Raewyn Rasch

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