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LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Thank you for your email requesting information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). A decision has now been made on your request pursuant to section 13 of the LGOIMA, and to provide the information requested.

In your request, you asked for information about underlying budget values. In your request you referred to tables from the Water Supply Rates section of the Rates Resolution. That Rates Resolution did not provide the level of detail that can be found in the Rating FIS below.

Water Supply Rates				
<b>Total amount required</b>				<b>11,490,206</b>
The water supply rates fund the water supply activity including associated maintenance. Council sets water rates for each scheme on a differential based on provision of service. The targeted rates are set as a fixed amount per connection for connected properties and per rating unit for properties for which the service is available. Targeted rates are also set based on the volume of water supplied at a rate per m <sup>3</sup> . The differential categories of service for the targeted rate for water supply are: Connected - any rating unit that is connected directly or indirectly to a Council operated waterworks. Available - any rating unit that is not connected to a Council operated waterworks but is within 100 metres of such waterworks				
<b>Note: All water by meter consumption invoiced during the current rating year will be calculated on the charges detailed below</b>				
		Per connection \$	Rate \$	Total \$
<b>Plains and Awakeri Extension</b>				
Connected - metered		380.86		736,961
Water by meter			0.75	862,441
Excess water by meter*			0.90	243,000
<b>Murupara</b>				
Connected - metered		307.92		11,701
Connected - non metered		735.90		491,582
Available - not connected		307.92		29,560
Water by meter			1.86	84,532
<b>All Other Schemes**</b>				
Connected - metered		294.60		2,994,282
Connected - non metered		883.99		520,673
Available - not connected		294.60		97,217
Water by meter			2.56	5,418,257
*The council sets an additional targeted rate for any excess water consumed that is over and above the purchased entitlement for each rating unit connected to the Plains and Awakeri Extension water supply scheme. An overuse targeted rate is set for the excess volume consumed over and above the purchased entitlement of \$0.90 per cubic metre. Note: Where rating units meet the definition of being contiguous either under legislation or Council Policy, the entitlements for such properties will be aggregated prior to an imposition of the overuse penalty.				
** Whakatane, Ōhope, Edgecumbe, Matatā, Tāneatua Rūātoki, Waimana, Te Mahoe				

Please note the following:

For Plains and Awakeri Extension:

- \$380.86 supply charge is based on 1,935 metered connections.
- Water by meter rate of 0.75 is based on 1,154,703 cubic metres. This is based on a two-year average of the data provided by the Three Waters team engineers.
- Excess water by meter is based on 270,000 cubic metres.

Please also note that the budgeted rating requirement for the 2026 Annual Plan for the Plains and Awakeri scheme has increased by \$410k since the 2025 LTP.

If you are not satisfied with my response, you are entitled to request a review by the Ombudsman. Further information can be obtained from the following website [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

Please note that this response may be published on our website. All personal information will be removed.

Nāku noa, nā



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