

Reference Number: 2024/1103

7 June 2024

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Thank you for email of 21 May 2024 requesting under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), information relating to the Rebel Business School. Please see outlined below a response to each part of your request.

Total given to “The Rebel Business School” by your organisation and or CCO’S broken down by year

In 2023, \$25,000.00 (exc GST) was paid to Rebel Business School for their services. Noting that the budget used is from external funding for the purposes of delivering Mayor’s Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ) and associated outcomes.

The reasoning behind your organisation beginning these deals

MTFJ is a nationwide partnership between Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) that focuses on connecting young people with suitable training, employment and mentoring opportunities and helping remove any barriers to employment or training while providing a platform for job creation. Horowhenua District Council participates in this programme and receives funding from MSD.

Rebel Business School offers services and programmes that are in line with our commitment to building the skillset of our rangatahi and sparking inspiration in pursuing and developing their own ideas.

Total citizen completed certificated since beginning funding this program. Please add how many courses have been funded and their dates

Two courses were funded in 2023. In June, in partnership with Kāpiti Coast District Council a 10-Day Flagship Programme was delivered. 15 out of the 21 registered participants completed the programme and received a certificate.

An additional course, called ‘Rangatahi Hustle’ was planned for September 2023, however, due to staff movements within the organisation, this was placed on hold. Staff are currently

in communication with Rebel Business School to either set a new date or arrange a refund for the amount committed.

Have issues been raised on the attendance.

- ***Such as not attending the whole course but still getting a certificate.***

Following the Kāpiti-Horowhenua 10-Day Flagship Programme, no issues were raised regarding attendance.

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

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If you would like to discuss this decision or any of the information provided as part of this request, please contact Brent Harvey (Group Manager Community Experience and Services) on brenth@horowhenua.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi



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