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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION UNDER THE OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT 1982

Dear Mr Graham

I refer to your official information request dated 30 May 2018 which seeks information held by the MidCentral DHB relating to:

- i. Copies of any briefings, reports or communications by the Chief Medical Officer to the Board of MidCentral DHB relating to the costs associated with the objection to the Dannevirke New World application to renew its liquor licence. Please take this to include any legal costs (both internal and external fees) to the DHB associated with the initial objection to the District Licensing Committee, then the appeal to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority, and finally to the High Court. Please provide a breakdown for each.*

Our Chief Medical Officer (Dr Kenneth Clark) has not developed any briefings, reports to the MDHB Board in relation to the costs associated with the objection to the Dannevirke New World licence renewal application, nor has he communicated with the Board on this matter.

- ii. Copies of any briefings, reports or communications received by Kathryn Cook, Chief Executive Officer and or any of the MidCentral Executive Leadership team from Dr Kenneth Clark about the Medical Officer of Health's legal expenses in relation to this objection outlined in 1 above.*

Dr Clark has not communicated with the Chief Executive Officer or with any of the MidCentral District Health Board Executive Leadership Team on the matter of the Medical Officer of Health's legal expenses in relation to the Dannevirke New World liquor licence renewal objection.

- iii. A list of expenses incurred by the office of the Medical Officer of Health for MidCentral DHB for the 2016/17 and 2017/18 year to date.*

Our Medical Officers of Health do not have an “office” as such. They work within our Public Health Service, which delivers a broad range of programmes aimed at promoting and protecting health. Expenditure for the Public Health Service for the periods you are seeking are as follows:

2016/17:	\$ 6,405,000
2017/18:	\$ 6,115,051 (YTD expenditure as at 31 May 2018)

Thank you for your enquiry.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. C. Davies', is written over a light grey rectangular background.

Deborah Davies
Operations Executive
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