

## LGOIMA

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**Request  
from:**

**For:** Local Body Elections – Campaign Spending

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**Response  
by:**

Mary Birch  
Manager Governance and Support Services

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## Venus Sood

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**From:** Mary Birch  
**Sent:** Friday, 20 December 2019 9:58 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** LGOIMA Response - Campaign spending

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 28 November 2019 regarding information relating to the Local Government Election. I see that you have contacted Council to indicate that you don't need a formal response to your request as you have found the information that has been uploaded to the Council website.

However, I wanted to touch base on the second part of your request, in case you had not found the information -

*"I'd like to know what is the maximum amount they are legally allowed to spend as well."*

The Local Electoral Act 2001 specifies the total electoral expenses, inclusive of goods and services tax, that a candidate must not exceed. This is based on population of the local government area. As Nelson has a population smaller than 60,00 and larger than 39,999, the expenses for Nelson candidates are limited to a maximum of \$30,000.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Ngā mihi,

Mary

**Mary Birch**

Manager Governance and Support Services  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 28 November 2019 4:55 PM  
**To:** Customer Service <[Customer.Service@ncc.govt.nz](mailto:Customer.Service@ncc.govt.nz)>  
**Subject:** campaign spending

Dear customer service team

I'd like to request a list of all candidates in the recent Nelson local government election and the amount of money they each spent on their campaigns.

## Venus Sood

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 December 2019 11:23 AM  
**To:** LGOIMA  
**Subject:** Re: Acknowledgement - List of all candidates and the amount of money they spent on their campaigns - 1951710

Hi there  
'Since this info is now public knowledge I'll withdraw the request;  
thank you.  
regards, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**Subject:** campaign spending

**Categories:** [REDACTED]

Dear customer service team

I'd like to request a list of all candidates in the recent Nelson local government election and the amount of money they each spent on their campaigns.

I'd like to know what is the maximum amount they are legally allowed to spend as well.

I understand I'm able to make this request for official information under the privacy act 1993. I am a New Zealand citizen.

With thanks, [REDACTED]