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Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST FOR THE PROPOSED FOOD WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM BEING CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE LTP.

I refer to your official information request dated 13 February 2024 for information on the proposed food waste collection program being considered as part of the LTP.

The information you requested is enclosed.

1. Financial cost : benefit study that has been undertaken on this proposal and 2. Environmental impacts assessment undertaken on this proposal

Options for processing residential kitchen waste collection and processing will be investigated in the upcoming business case. The options will include environmental, cultural, and economic assessments and will then be presented to Council.

Research already conducted, can be found online here:

<https://www.nelson.govt.nz/services/rethink-waste/rethinkreduceuse/understanding-how-we-choose-to-avoid-reduce-and-manage-waste/> This includes:

- Food Waste Collection and Processing Solutions – Research and Initial Options Assessment (Eunomia 2023)
- Reusable Packaging Systems in Nelson-Tasman (Reuse Aotearoa 2022)
- Investigate Options and Alternatives for the Diversion of Organic Waste (Tonkin & Taylor 2020)

3. Breakdown / key assumptions forecast of the budget estimate of \$1 million

The costs that will be shown in the LTP, shortly to be consulted on, are estimates based on the research collected to date and recycling collection costs. As noted above any decision by this Council will be informed by the business case.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. 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 wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Acting Manager Solid Waste Mark Macfarlane mark.macfarlane@ncc.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alec Louverdis', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Alec Louverdis

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