Dear,

I refer to your official information request we received on 18 December 2024 requesting the following:

"Kaikōura District Council (KDC) has the function to control any actual or potential effects of the use, development, or protection of land, including for the purpose of the maintenance of indigenous biological diversity (as per section 31(1)(b)(iii) of the RMA). Could you please provide the documents that show how KDC is monitoring the state of the environment (required by section 35(2)(a)(i) of the RMA) to enable it to carry out this function".

## Release of information

The information you have requested is as below.

Kaikōura District Council ensures that the functions of territorial authorities relating to section 35(2)(a)(i)are met through:

- 1. Our District Plan which is available at <a href="https://www.kaikoura.govt.nz/council/plans-policies-reports/district-plan">https://www.kaikoura.govt.nz/council/plans-policies-reports/district-plan</a>
- The use of (LIM) Land Information Memorandum to inform future property owners of the requirements of the District Plan and we use the (PIM) Project Information Memorandum to identify if proposed projects will trigger the need for a resource consent.
- 3. To support Kaikōura District Council's understanding of what is occurring within our District, Kaikōura District Council is involved in the Canterbury Map Partnership which allows for regular updates of urban and rural images, these images in combination with Google Earth images allow the Council to see changes that are occurring in our district.

If you are aware of any specific problems occurring within the Kaikoura District we would be very interested to know what these are.

## **Publication of responses to LGOIMA requests**

Please note: our LGOIMA responses may be published on the Kaikōura District Council website a month after they have been responded to, with requesters' personal details withheld. If you have any concerns about this please contact the Official Information team on officialinformation@kaikoura.govt.nz

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

Yours sincerely

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