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To: [REDACTED]
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Kia ora [REDACTED]

I am writing in response to your official information request dated 21 May 2026 regarding Tararua District Council's procurement process.

You asked for information about the following:

1. The spend threshold for direct procurement of professional services (e.g. consulting)
2. The typical spend threshold for closed competitive tenders, above which they would typically be posted to GETS
3. If there is an internal professional services panel we could join as a supplier

The information you have requested is set out below:

By way of general guidance, Council's procurement approach is risk-based and considers the value, complexity, market conditions, and nature of the services being procured. The thresholds below are therefore indicative only and do not guarantee a particular procurement method for any specific opportunity.

1. Direct procurement of professional services

Low-value, low-risk professional services may be procured directly where there is a clear rationale and this is consistent with Council's procurement requirements. As a general guide, direct procurement may be considered for professional services under \$100,000, depending on the risk profile and nature of the work.

2. Closed competitive tenders and GETS

Council may use a closed competitive process where the supplier market is known and the value and risk profile supports inviting a limited number of suppliers. This may be used as a second-stage procurement process following an EOI or ROI, or as a single-stage procurement process where the market is sufficiently understood.

As a general guide, Council may use closed competitive processes for opportunities under \$100,000. Opportunities over \$100,000 would typically be considered for an open market process, including advertising through GETS where appropriate.

3. Professional services panel

Council does not operate an internal professional services panel for

consultancy services. Council subscribes to the All-of-Government Consultancy Services Panel and generally undertakes secondary procurement for general consultancy services through that panel where appropriate.

Where the All-of-Government panel is not used, suppliers are considered on a case-by-case basis depending on the nature of the work required and the relevant procurement requirements.

Council encourages you to keep an eye on GETS for any future opportunities advertised by Council, particularly for higher-value or open market procurement processes.

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.

Ngā mihi,



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From: Simone Anthony

Sent: Friday, 22 May 2026 9:26 am

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: CM: Information (LGOIMA) Request RE: Supplier panels

Kia ora [REDACTED]

This email is to acknowledge receipt of your request for information, regarding Tararua District Council's procurement process.

We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible and in any event no later than 19 June 2026, being 20 working days after the day your request was received. If we are unable to respond to your request by then, we will notify you of an extension of that timeframe.

As part of our commitment to openness and accountability, we are now proactively publishing copies of requests for information and the responses provided to these requests, on our website. In doing so, we will ensure we comply with the provisions of the Privacy Act 2020 and redact any personal / identifying information from any

response published.

If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to get in contact with me.

Ngā mihi,



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From: [REDACTED]
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Hi there,

We specialise in strategy and management consulting and are looking to better understand your procurement process.

Could you please let me know for your organisation:

1. The spend threshold for direct procurement of professional services (e.g. consulting)
2. The typical spend threshold for closed competitive tenders, above which they would typically be posted to GETS
3. If there is an internal professional services panel we could join as a supplier

We've been added to the professional services panel for another council and would like to also support the Tararua District Council in the future.

Kind Regards,

[REDACTED]

Director | Stragentum

