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Dear Mr Davenport

I write concerning an official information request received on 5 September 2019.

Wellington City Council (the Council) has discussed with Wellington Water Limited (WWL) and we have agreed to transfer part of this request to WWL as they are also held under Section 12(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) as your questions closely align with their functions.

WWL is the legal entity that manages the three water networks for five shareholding councils. WWL is a council controlled trading organisation and a local government organisation under the Local Government Act 2002, and a company under the Companies Act 1993 they are bound by the Act and will respond to you regarding the below questions.

Question 2: What was the flow rate the council determined for the leak. If this was different from 250ml per minute, then please amend my calculations above.

Questions 3: When did the council first perform a site visit for the leak (including contractors), and what was the outcome of that initial site visit.

Question 4: What is the estimated cost of fixing the leak at the time it was first reported

Question 6: What is the total cost spent so far visiting the leak, and fixing the leak?

Question 8: What is the total environmental cost so far from the council visiting the leak and fixing the leak? I note again that the council likely has this information ready due to the use of a "climate change lens" for everything the council does.

Question 10: What remedial actions need to take place (such as engineers report to determine erosion damage to the road), and what is the expected cost for such remedial actions?

Question 11: What environmental costs are expected for any remedial actions needed from step 10.

Question 12: What are the councils plans for informing the ratepayers of Wellington that they are misusing the ratepayer funds?

As this request is being transferred, they will treat this as a new request and will inform you of their due date.

We will continue to meet your request by 3 October 2019 for the remainder of your questions.

If you disagree with my decision you have the right, under section 27(3) of the Act to ask the Ombudsman to review and investigate my decision. Further information is available on the Ombudsman website, [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz)

I apologise for not being getting this letter out to you sooner. Should you require anything else please let me know.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Asha Harry', enclosed within a hand-drawn oval shape.

Asha Harry  
**Assurance Advisor**