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Dear Mr Randle

### **Request for information OIA 2020-073**

I refer to your email dated 26 May 2020 which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council's (GWRC) on 26 May 2020. You have requested the following information:

*A) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the detailed calculations that were used to provide the Transport Rates information in the draft 2020/21 Annual Plan ?*

*B) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the calculations of the 2020/21 Transport Rate allocation to ratepayers ?*

*C) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the detailed costs for the cost amounts used in the calculation of the 2020/21 Transport Rates ?*

*D) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the detailed revenue for the revenue amounts used in the calculation of the 2020/21 Transport Rates ?*

*E) Can the GWRC please provide a copy of any reports or presentations to GWRC councillors at Annual Plan 2020/21 workshops ?*

*F) Can the GWRC please provide a copy of the changes (contributions and withdrawals) from the Transport Reserve over the past three years including the source for the contributions and the target for the withdrawals ?*

**GWRC's response follows:**

***A) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the detailed calculations that were used to provide the Transport Rates information in the draft 2020/21 Annual Plan ?***

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**Attachment 1** Transport Rate detail DATA

**Attachment 3** Transport Rate detail FORMULA

Please note that in **Attachment 1** and **Attachment 3**, the projected cost information relating to the bus, rail and ferry contracts in the Wellington Region has been withheld in accordance with sections 7(2)(b)(ii) and 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), in that releasing the breakdown of the cost estimates would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the operators who supplied this information and to enable GWRC's to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations for upcoming contracts.

We have therefore, provided you with this information in two formats:

- **Attachment 1:** is an electronic copy of the spreadsheet (with the projected cost estimate information relating to the bus and rail contracts deleted) in a format that gives the figures but does not give the formulae behind the figures
- **Attachment 3:** is an electronic copy of the spreadsheet (with the projected cost estimate information relating to the bus and rail contracts deleted) in a format that gives the formulae behind the figures

***B) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the calculations of the 2020/21 Transport Rate allocation to ratepayers ?***

**Attachment 2** Transport Rate Allocation

***C) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the detailed costs for the cost amounts used in the calculation of the 2020/21 Transport Rates ?***

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Please note the explanations under the answer to question A.

***D) Can the GWRC please provide a complete copy of the detailed revenue for the revenue amounts used in the calculation of the 2020/21 Transport Rates ?***

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Please note the explanations under the answer to question A.

***E) Can the GWRC please provide a copy of any reports or presentations to GWRC councillors at Annual Plan 2020/21 workshops ?***

**Attachment 4** Annual Plan 2020-21 incl LCAF and Rates Requirement Council Workshop 11 Feb 2020

**Attachment 5** Annual Plan Council 7 April 2020

**Attachment 6** Annual Plan Council 23 April 2020

**Attachment 7** Annual Plan Council 28 April 2020

**Attachment 8** Annual Plan

**Attachment 9** Council workshop presentation 26 November

***F) Can the GWRC please provide a copy of the changes (contributions and withdrawals) from the Transport Reserve over the past three years including the source for the contributions and the target for the withdrawals ?***

**Attachment 10** Transport Reserve

We have considered whether the public interest in the requested information outweighs GWRC's need to withhold certain aspects of the requested information. As a result, we do not consider that the public interest outweighs GWRC's reason for withholding parts of the document under the grounds identified above.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Yours sincerely



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