

12 December 2024

File Ref: IRC-7504

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Tēnā koe Randy

Thank you for your email of 14 November 2024 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting the following information:

- All internal communications (including emails, texts, WhatsApp messages, signal messages, Facebook messenger, summaries of any calls) sent/ received by her worship the Mayor between 1 July 2024 and 30 September 2024.

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA).

As per my email dated 19 November and follow up on 21 November 2024, we requested that you refine your request. This is due to the Mayor receiving a number of correspondence through many avenues. We requested that you narrow your scope of information to a refined period, correspondence between individuals or teams, specific documents, or specific topics as the.

As the Council has not received any further refinement, we have refused your request under section 17(f) of the LGOIMA that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research. Under section 17B of the LGOIMA the Council has considered charging or extending the timeframe however a request this large would impact the daily operation of the Council.

You can re-submit a refined request for information; however, the 20-working day period would start again.

As per section 7(1) of the LGOIMA, I do not consider that in the circumstances of this response, the withholding of this information is outweighed by the other considerations which render it desirable to in the public interest to make the information available.

You have the right, by way of complaint under section 28(1) of the LGOIMA, to request an investigation and review of the Council's decision by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you require further information, please contact official.information@wcc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

Asha Harry
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