

08 January 2025

Official information request 8140015060 (Please quote this in any correspondence)

H.R

By email: fyi-request-29470-702ff19b@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr. H R

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Re: Changes to building consent after issue

I refer to your official information request dated 06 December 2024 for a list of building consent numbers and properties that that have had building consents re-issued with changes made for the same building work. This excludes amendments to building consents or minor variations.

Due to the substantial amount of work that would be required to research and collate the information you have requested; we are refusing your request under section 17(f) of the LGOIMA

The way we record building consent does not give a unique data identifier which can be extracted to demonstrate what you are requesting as we deal with re-issuing consents in two separate ways, by amendment/ MV or clerical change. We are unable to quickly and accurately extract the number of building consents re-issued with changes made for the same building work. The true number of re-issued building consents and the reason for reissuing can only be determined by reading the description of each application and manually extracting the information requested.

We have considered whether charging or extending the timeframe for responding to your request would help, as required by section 17A of the LGOIMA. However, the amount of time it would take to locate and collate the information would have a significant impact on our ability to carry out our other functions. We would not be able to extend our response time or apply a charge to be able to respond to this request in its current form.

The decision to refuse this request was made by **Denise Whelan, Manager Building Consents Capability.**

You have the right to complain to the Ombudsman if you believe we have not responded appropriately to your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries, please contact me on 09 301 0101 quoting official information request number 8140015060.

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