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Dear D Weir

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**Local Government Official Information And Meetings Act 1987**

**Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre**

I refer to your request for information, which we received on 20 March 2017, concerning the Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre.

**1. What is the precise nature of the restriction that has been implemented by the council/pool management on non-female access to the Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre facilities?**

All of the council's leisure facilities have bookable spaces within them. Bookings are made for a variety of private purposes, are dependent on availability and are subject to approval by pool management.

A booked space is only available for the person or group that has made the booking. In this instance 'Nan's Pool' (a small shallow teaching pool) is the only part of the facility that is booked for the purpose of these lessons. All other parts of the facility remain open for general public use including the 25m pool, spa, sauna, fitness centre and three group fitness rooms.

**2. How will this restriction be imposed on persons who may be physically male however identify themselves as female, for example, transgender individuals?**

Decisions on who is eligible to participate in the lessons are made on a case by case basis by the private provider.

**3. What process did the council and pool management take before implementing this restriction?**

Cameron Pool is owned by Auckland Council and managed by YMCA on the council's behalf. The management agreement that YMCA holds for this facility allows it to book out the bookable areas of the facility to user groups such as the one hiring in this instance.

Bookings are commonplace and decisions on bookings are made by Cameron Pool management. Any and all bookings are dependent on the pool space being available at the desired time. More information on bookings and spaces for Cameron Pool can be found on its website here <https://www.ymcauckland.org.nz/find-your-local/mt-roskill/cameron-pool-leisure-centre/>

**4. What consultation process was taken by the council/pool management with the community and ratepayers before this restriction was implemented?**

Individual bookings at our facilities do not trigger public consultation by the council.

**5. What process will be followed in future if other groups seek private or restricted access to pool facilities?**

As per the above, the standard booking process will be followed.

**6. Please provide copies of all emails, minutes and any other relevant communications held by the council or pool management about the decision to implement this restriction.**

There has been no communication with council regarding this booking.

If you have any further queries please contact the Privacy and LGOIMA team on 09 301 0101 or email [officialinformation@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:officialinformation@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz), quoting LGOIMA No. 8140001179.

Should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request, you have the right by way of complaint, under section 27(3) of the LGOIMA, to apply to the Ombudsmen to seek an investigation and review of the decision.

Yours sincerely



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