

## By email

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Dear Mr Crawford

## Request for information OIA 2018-113

I refer to your request for information dated 22 June 2018, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) on 22 June 2018. You have requested the following information:

*“I understand that the GWRC has a presentation titled "GWRC Bus and Rail Patronage, Revenue and Costing Analysis" by Andy Ford and Ian Wallis and dated 3rd September 2012. I understand it covers a range of topics including Costs, Revenue, Cost Recovery for:*

- *Rail, by Service and Segment*
- *Bus, by Area*
- *Combined Bus & Rail*

*I request a copy of this presentation.*

*I also request a copy of the request and/or contract to have this presentation produced.*

*I further request a copy of the dates, attendance and agenda of any and all meeting(s) at which this presentation was given.”*

### **GWRC’s response follows:**

#### Presentation

A copy of the presentation is attached as **Attachment 1** to this response. Please note when viewing the contents of this presentation that:

- the information is six to seven years out of date
- the information did not inform the 2012 Fare Structure Review decision making process

- any rail/bus comparisons are misleading, as rail operating costs are very different from bus operating costs. For example, rail operational costs include track access fees to KiwiRail and rail network maintenance costs, while bus operational costs do not include road maintenance costs
- these differing costs influence the cost recovery percentages of both rail and bus services.

You will see that we have elected to withhold certain information that related to commercial services in the presentation. This information has been withheld from you in accordance with sections 7(2)(b)(ii) and 7(2)(c)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) on the grounds that:

- releasing the information would likely unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of a person who supplied or is the subject of the information; and
- withholding is necessary in order to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

### Contract

The presentation was created as part of a contract variation between GWRC and Ian Wallis. This contract variation is provided as **Attachment 2**.

### Presentation attendance

We do not hold a formal record of the people who attended this presentation. However, it is likely that a number of the Public Transport Department managers would have attended, along with Andy Ford and Ian Wallis.

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 reasons for withholding the information 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 Act.

Yours sincerely



**Wayne Hastie**  
General Manager, Public Transport

- Attachment 1:** GWRC Bus and Rail Patronage, Revenue and Costing Analysis presentation, 3 September 2012
- Attachment 2:** Contract variation between GWRC and Ian Wallis, 1 February 2012.