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Dear [REDACTED],

**Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987**

We refer to your official information request dated 4 March 2021 for information regarding an application to operate a Hovercraft in the Hutt Valley.

The application for a Resource Consent to operate a Hovercraft in the vicinity of Petone Beach was lodged by Wellesley Pacific Ltd in November of 2004. The type of Hovercraft was recorded as a 32 passenger capacity Griffon 2500TD Hovercraft built in 1985. The application involved a lot of work for both council and the applicant. In October 2005 the application was determined to be incomplete and the company was asked to address a number of factors. As far as we can tell, Wellesley Pacific Ltd did not continue with their application. They applied for permission from Wellington City Council to park their Hovercraft at Shelley Bay slipway and this was granted and the Hovercraft was removed from the Petone area.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Council's website.

Yours sincerely

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