



30 July 2025

Robert Cooney

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Tēnā koe Robert,

Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987

We refer to your official information request dated 3 July 2025, asking for:

I would like to know the details of discussions between the council and Wellington Electricity regarding the possibility of undergrounding the power cables around Mahina Bay in conjunction with works taking place on the Shared Pathway

Answer:

Before responding to your request, we note that on 22 July 2025, representatives from the Tupua Horo Nuku project team and Hutt City Transport met with you on site at your property in Mahina Bay.

The purpose of this meeting was to hear and discuss your concerns regarding the shared pathway works and the placement of power infrastructure.

Your feedback was noted, and the project team is currently investigating potential options within the project scope to identify a reasonable resolution. Once this has been finalised, the project team will respond to you directly.

The work completed by Wellington Electricity Limited in the Mahina Bay area has been undertaken in liaison with the Tupua Horo Nuku Alliance, which is responsible for delivering the shared pathway project. As such, there is no correspondence directly between Wellington Electricity Limited and Council regarding the possibility of undergrounding power cables in Mahina Bay.

Although the information you've requested may be held by Wellington Electricity Limited or the Tupua Horo Nuku Alliance, neither of these entities is subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 or the Official Information Act 1982. Your request is therefore refused under section 17(g) of the LGOIMA.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at: [How to make a complaint | Ombudsman New Zealand](#), or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response to your information request may be published on Hutt City Council's website: [Proactive releases | Hutt City Council](#)

Ngā mihi nui

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R van der Splinter', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Rebekah van der Splinter
Senior Advisor, Official Information and Privacy