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Tēnā koe John,

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

We refer to your official information request dated 16 July 2025, asking for information provided to WSP by Hutt City Council or related parties that contributed to the preparation of the WSP land susceptibility (hazard) report.

Specifically, you requested:

- 1. Please provide copies of all information given to WSP by HCC or related others, directly or indirectly, to enable the WSP land susceptibility {hazard} report.*
- 2. Please provide all information as above but specifically information that is covered in the WSP report disclaimer below highlighted in yellow and underlined. The WSP disclaimer intro states: In preparing the Report, WSP has relied upon topographical data, geological maps, asset data, landslide inventory and other information ('Client Data') provided by or on behalf of the Client.*

**Answer:**

In response to your request, we confirm that the following information was provided by Hutt City Council to WSP New Zealand:

1. GIS data for District Plan zones (including a PDF map of the data)

2. A Landslide Report for Hutt City Council
3. Background data for the Landslide Report
4. 2021 LiDAR Classified Point Cloud data for Lower Hutt

With the exception of the LiDAR data, copies of these documents are attached. To support accessibility and ease of analysis, certain datasets have been provided in Excel format. This data is supplied on the condition that it is not altered and remains attributable to Hutt City Council as originally released.

Please note that some of the attached files are GIS data files, which require specialised GIS software to open. These contain spatial information used in the preparation of the WSP report, including District Plan zones as they were in 2021 and additional contextual layers. A separate PDF map has been included to provide a general overview of this data. However, the map is zoomed out and may not be suitable for property-specific analysis.

We are unable to convert the GIS files into a more accessible format, such as an interactive viewer or simplified map, as this would require creating new information. There is no requirement under the LGOIMA for agencies to create information in order to respond to a request.

The 2021 LiDAR data (including DEM, DSM, and LAS point cloud files) is publicly available via the LINZ Data Service. Accordingly, we are refusing this part of your request under section 17(d) of the LGOIMA, as the information is publicly available. You can access it here: [Wellington - Hutt City LiDAR 1m DSM \(2021\) | LINZ Data Service](#).

We have interpreted the second part of your request to be asking for the specific types of information listed in the WSP report disclaimer, to the extent that such information was provided by or on behalf of Council. The LiDAR data constitutes the topographical data referred to, the Landslide Report and background data relate to the landslide inventory, and the GIS zoning data falls under "other information." We have no records of providing geological maps or asset data to WSP New Zealand.

To clarify the reference to geological maps and asset data in the WSP disclaimer, we contacted WSP New Zealand. They advised that these likely refer to data from their own internal sources or publicly available datasets, such as those from GNS Science, rather than information supplied by Council.

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.

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Ngā mihi nui



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