



15 April 2025

Vatau Sagaga

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Dear Vatau

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

We refer to your official information request dated 19 March 2025 for:

*"I request all official information the Council with regards to monies "tagged" for an all-purpose sports turf in Wainuiomata.*

*For context, I attended a meeting in July 2022 with CE Jo Miller, Mayor Campbell Barry, councillors Keri Brown and Josh Briggs to seek support to build a ground with artificial turf on Frederick Wise Park. At that meeting, Ms Miller confirmed there was \$2.7m tagged for an all purpose sports facility in Wainuiomata.*

*My query is whether these monies (or any monies) are still available and still tagged for an all purpose sports facility in Wainuiomata."*

**Answer:**

The Long-Term Plan has a budget of \$971K in 2026, \$2.5M in 2029 and \$2.9M in 2032 earmarked for artificial turf development and renewals. These funds have not yet been committed to particular projects.

Council owns three turfs which will need to be renewed, and Wise Park has been identified as a possible location for a new artificial turf in the future.

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.

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Yours sincerely

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