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Tēnā koe Max

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

We refer to your official information request dated 5 April 2022 for information about the new Street Naming Policy.

During the development of the revised Street Naming Policy, the project team discussed consultation and engagement requirements. Ultimately officers reached the conclusion that the requirements of the Local Government Act 2002 had been satisfied. As well as this, officers considered the requirement to engage under Council's Significance and Engagement Policy did not apply. There are no minutes or papers from these meetings which we can provide to you.

Ahead of a committee paper being submitted for a meeting agenda, officers must engage with a decision-making checklist which prompts authors to turn their mind to requirements under the Local Government Act and Council's Significance and Engagement Policy. This decision-making checklist was completed for the Street Naming Policy paper.

The Director of Strategy and Engagement outlined the basis for this position at the Policy Finance and Strategy Committee meeting on 23 February 2022 (available on Hutt City Council's livestream).

We are withholding one email under section 7(2)(g), to maintain legally privilege.

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 www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this letter may be published on the Council's website.

Nāku noa, nā



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