

17 October 2022

Keep Hutt Valley Beautiful

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Tēnā koe KHVB

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

Thank you for your email of 12 October 2022, enclosing a survey about graffiti.

We have responded to your questions below, with application of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA).

1. Does Council have a zero tolerance policy to graffiti?
Yes
2. Does council have specific areas set aside for graffiti to be undertaken?
No, not at all
3. How does Council handle the removal of graffiti (contractor or staff)?
Contractor
4. How much does Council spend a year on graffiti removal?
Approx \$190,000
5. Does (or has) council prosecute(d) taggers?
No, Council does not have the power to prosecute for tagging. This lies with the Police.
6. Does Council proactively seek out graffiti or does it wait for it to be reported?
Both, 95% is proactive
7. Does Council clean non council assets?
Yes, when road facing or offensive on private property
8. If contracted, when is this up for renewal?
June 2023
9. Has Council implemented any projects that has reduced the amount of graffiti in their area?
Mural Projects around the city
10. Does Council participate in the Graffiti Forum?
Yes

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan Sales'.

Susan Sales
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