
From: Information Requests
Sent: Monday, 23 February 2026 10:50 am
To: s7(2)(a)
Subject: A response to your LGOIMA request: Cenotaph and WW1 map removal (Mulligan)

Tēnā koe Bryan,

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987 (LGOIMA): RESPONSE TO YOUR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

We refer to your official information request dated 3 February 2026, in which you asked for all documents that relate to a decision to close, end, or remove the “Lower Hutt and Petone Cenotaphs Map Journal” and the “Map of addresses for Lower Hutt’s WW1 men”.

In response to your request, we can confirm that no formal decision was made by Council to close or discontinue these applications. They became unavailable because the Classic Story Maps platform they were built on was retired by the software provider, Esri, in early 2026. Once the platform was retired, the applications could no longer operate, and the links on our website no longer worked. Removing the links was therefore an operational step to reflect that the applications were no longer accessible.

As there was no formal decision-making process and no documents were created that relate to a decision of this kind, the information you have requested is refused under section 17(e) of the LGOIMA, as the information does not exist.

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: [Office of the Ombudsman - Complaints](#), or freephone 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui,

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From: Information Requests
Sent: Tuesday, 17 February 2026 12:13 pm
To: s7(2)(a)
Subject: Your LGOIMA request: Cenotaph and WW1 map removal (Mulligan)

Tēnā koe Bryan,

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION - LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987:
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REQUEST**

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your official information request dated 3 February 2026 about the decision to remove the "Lower Hutt and Petone Cenotaphs Map Journal" and the "Map of addresses for Lower Hutt's WW1 men". Your email was received by our system on that date, although it was directed to a junk-mail folder and not identified until 17 February 2026. I apologise for this delay.

We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible, and no later than 20 working days from the date it was received. Based on this timeframe, you can expect a response by **4 March 2026**. If we are unable to respond by that date, we will notify you of an extension.

If the information you have requested is no longer required, we would appreciate you letting us know.

Please note that we may publish our response to your request, including your name, on Council's website if we consider there is a public interest in sharing the information provided to you. You can view published responses at: [Proactive releases | Hutt City Council](#).

Ngā mihi nui,

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From: [s7\(2\)\(a\)](#)
Sent: Tuesday, 3 February 2026 8:06 pm
To: Information Requests <informationrequests@huttcity.govt.nz>
Subject: LGOIMA Request

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Hello. This a formal request made under the auspices of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA)

I have been given to understand by LHCC staff that the previously available "Lower Hutt and Petone Cenotaphs Map Journal" and the "Map of addresses for Lower Hutt's WW1 men" applications have been shut down and removed from the hosting platform of the provider, and that, further, the previously accessible web-links connecting to these two applications have been removed from the LHCC website.

I am therefore requesting copies of all documents of whatever format and whatever purpose which in any way relate to the decision to close/end/remove these two applications.

Thank you in anticipation for your prompt attention to this Request.

Bryan Mulligan