



18 September 2025

Henry Clayton

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Tēnā koe Henry,

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

We refer to your official information request dated 24 August 2025, seeking information about the two buildings at Fraser Park currently used by GBH Boxing and Lower Hutt City AFC. Specifically, you requested:

*In relation to the two buildings on Fraser Park that are currently used by GBH Boxing and Lower Hutt City AFC respectively, I request to know:*

- 1. the ongoing operating costs for Hutt City Council in owning these buildings;*
- 2. any end of lease/occupancy date for GBH Boxing;*
- 3. the most recent reports into the compliance of the buildings with the New Building Standard (NBS). I have not been able to find the buildings listed on the Council-owned buildings seismic register on the HCC website.*

**Answer:**

The buildings currently occupied by GBH Boxing and Lower Hutt City AFC are the Old Taita Cricket Building and the Lower Hutt Indoor facilities, including changing rooms. Council's operational costs for these buildings vary from year to year, but the following figures reflect recent averages and actual costs:

Expense Type	Amount
Power and gas charges	\$14,808.65 (average per annum)
Security, cleaning, insurance, repairs and maintenance	\$19,246.80 (approximate per annum)
Recent repairs (water leak affecting gym and changing room facilities)	\$10,547.00

Please note that these costs are indicative only, as they include utilities and maintenance expenses that fluctuate over time and are not tracked at a highly granular level.

In 2023, Council's Parks and Reserves team undertook condition assessments across much of its building portfolio. The assessments estimated the following ten-year maintenance requirements for the buildings in question:

Building	Estimated Maintenance Costs
Old Taita Cricket Building	\$283,092.60
Former Lower Hutt Football Club Building	\$284,155.00

These estimates do not include seismic-related repair costs. A separate seismic assessment would be required to identify potential costs in this regard.

There is currently no active lease in place for the first level of the Old Taita Cricket Club building. Council previously had a short-term lease with another boxing club in 2020. GBH Boxing began occupying the space in 2021, continuing under the arrangement with the earlier club. Given the future of this building – which is planned for demolition or divestment from Council's asset portfolio – officers are not pursuing any new lease arrangements.

No seismic assessments have been undertaken on these buildings. As they are scheduled for demolition or divestment, commissioning such reports would not be considered an economical or practical use of resources. For this reason, the buildings are not listed on Council's seismic register.

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.

Please note that this response to your information request may be published on Hutt City Council's website: [Proactive releases - Hutt City Council](#).

Ngā mihi nui

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Rebekah van der Splinter

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