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Tēnā koe Azaria

Request for Information pursuant to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA)

Thank you for your correspondence of 12 and 14 April 2023, in which you have requested the following official information about FIFA's approach to Hutt City Council for use of the Hutt Recreational Ground facilities for training:

- 1. Did FIFA offer the council money to upgrade the Hutt Recreational Ground Facilities in return for the venue being available for teams to train in?*
- 2. How much money was offered, and provide details about this arrangement, and whether or not it was declined, and why that decision was made.*
- 3. The document(s) or correspondence between the council and FIFA about the above.*

Hutt City Council has had no correspondence with FIFA in relation to use of Hutt Recreation Ground as a training facility for women's football teams. Accordingly, your request for this information is refused under section 17(g) of the LGOIMA, as the information you have requested is not held by Hutt City Council.

We advise that researching and responding to your LGOIMA required Hutt City Council to retrieve old communication material from a third-party archive facility at a cost of around \$600. We have decided not to charge you for this request on this occasion. Future requests where the retrieval of archived records is required may be charged (or charging will be considered on a case by case basis).

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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