

Rebecca Watson

From: official information
Sent: Monday, 1 July 2019 09:14
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: LGOIMA 19161 - Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016

Kia ora,

Further to your information request of 17 June 2019 in respect of the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016, I am now able to provide Hamilton City Council's response.

You requested:

How much has been spent by the authority since 1 July 2017, (when the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016 came into effect) on earthquake-related expenses - for instance seismic reports, engineering checks, building assessments, strengthening work already done etc.

How much does the authority anticipate it will spend in the next ten years on earthquake resilience work. Please note this is not how much has been formally approved - but how much could be spent based on estimates (can be rough).

How many buildings have been identified as needing money spent on them to bring them in line with the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act.

How many buildings are still to be assessed by the authority.

Our response:

How much has been spent by the authority since 1 July 2017, (when the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016 came into effect) on earthquake-related expenses - for instance seismic reports, engineering checks, building assessments, strengthening work already done etc.

Since July 2017 the Council has spent \$2.4 million on earthquake-strengthening related work. This work is ongoing. More information on the Council's approach to this work [can be found here](#), on our website.

How much does the authority anticipate it will spend in the next ten years on earthquake resilience work. Please note this is not how much has been formally approved - but how much could be spent based on estimates (can be rough).

Based on the information available at present, the Council's staff anticipate the organisation will spend approximately \$30 million over the next 10 years strengthening the public buildings the organisation is responsible for.

How many buildings have been identified as needing money spent on them to bring them in line with the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act.

We have identified 14 buildings to date that will require strengthening.

How many buildings are still to be assessed by the authority.

All Council-owned buildings requiring assessment have had at least an Initial Seismic Assessment completed. There are nine buildings that still require Detailed Seismic Assessments to be completed.

If you would like context or background related to this LGOIMA response, or an interview with the subject matter expert, please contact the Communications Unit on 07 838 6699.

Kind regards,

Amy Viggers

On behalf of the Privacy Officer



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 19 June 2019 9:07 AM
To: official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: LGOIMA 19161 - Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016

Kia ora,

Thanks for the chance to clarify – info relating to council-owned buildings please.

Many thanks,
[REDACTED]

From: official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Sent: Wednesday, 19 June 2019 8:36 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: LGOIMA 19161 - Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016

Kia ora,

I refer to your official information request dated 17 June 2019 in respect of the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016.

We are unsure of the scope of the information you are requesting, therefore invite you to clarify your request to assist us to process it as efficiently and quickly as possible.

Can you please advise if the information you are seeking is concerning Council owned buildings or buildings within Hamilton City Council boundary owned by other parties.

Kind regards,

Amy Viggers

On behalf of the Privacy Officer

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From: official information
Sent: Monday, 17 June 2019 11:24 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: LGOIMA 19161 - Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016

Kia ora,

I write to acknowledge your information request of 17 June 2019 in respect of the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016.

Please be advised that your request has been passed on to the relevant team within Council and you will be informed of the outcome.

The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 requires that we advise you of our decision on whether the Council will provide the requested information or not “as soon as reasonably practicable”, no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. We will respond to you no later than 15 July 2019.

Kind regards,
Amy Viggers
On behalf of the Privacy Officer
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, 17 June 2019 10:23 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Media enq: Request for information

Hello,

[REDACTED] here. Under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act I request the following:

-How much has been spent by the authority since 1 July 2017, (when the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act 2016 came into effect) on earthquake-related expenses - for instance seismic reports, engineering checks, building assessments, strengthening work already done etc.

-How much does the authority anticipate it will spend in the next ten years on earthquake resilience work. Please note this is not how much has been formally approved - but how much could be spent based on estimates (can be rough).

-How many buildings have been identified as needing money spent on them to bring them in line with the Building (Earthquake-prone Buildings) Amendment Act.

-How many buildings are still to be assessed by the authority.

Please note this request has been sent to all territorial authorities in New Zealand in an attempt to capture the costs local governments are facing to quake-proof their buildings.

If there is anything I can do to clarify these requests, do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks,

[Redacted]

Reporter

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