

Rebecca Watson

From: official information
Sent: Friday, 9 August 2019 13:24
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information
Subject: RE: LGOIMA 19193 - RE: Information Request

Kia ora,

Further to your information request of 14 July 2019 in respect of building consents, I am now able to provide Hamilton City Council's response.

You requested:

a) Building consent application numbers for each month for the following years:-

2016

2017

2018

2019 to date

b) Waiting time for building inspections for each month for the following years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 to date.

c) For the following years 2016,2017,2018 & 2019 how much has been spent on

i) Building officials institute of new Zealand membership fees.

ii) costs for attending any Building officials institute of new Zealand event including any personal expenses claim by employees.

iii) How many hours a year are council employees involved in Building officials institute of new Zealand business including attending meetings and travel to and from meetings within council working time and being paid for by council.

Our response:

a) Building consent application numbers for each month for the following years: - 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 to date

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2016	39	206	267	266	254	274	288	233	296	265	265	232
2017	223	246	242	222	254	277	298	256	267	296	262	234
2018	206	246	236	260	206	267	264	224	266	223	206	234
2019	206	267	286	307	280	247	268					

b) Waiting time for building inspections for each month for the following years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 to date.

Inspection timeframes vary based on inspection type, inspection complexity (six competency levels) and specific times requested by the customer.

Hamilton City Council is unable to report on historical inspection timeframes as we do not hold this data.

The information provided below has been sourced by us from an external third party and has not been validated by Hamilton City Council.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2016		3 days		3 days	8 days		2-4 days		8-10 days		8 days	5 days
2017				10 days		10 days	4-6 days		6 days		2 days	
2018		3-5 days	5-10 days	3-6 days	3-10 days		5-10 days		5-10 days	3-10 days	5-15 days	5-15 days
2019		5-10 days		10-15 days			4-10 days					

Please note, the information above is indicative only and only reliable at the point in time the information was collected, we therefore strongly advise caution is taken if you intend to rely on this data.

c) For the following years 2016,2017,2018 & 2019 how much has been spent on

i) Building officials institute of New Zealand membership fees.

	Total cost (excl GST)
2016	\$ 10,991.30
2017	\$ 14,066.32
2018	\$ 12,495.00
2019	\$ 12,810.00

ii) costs for attending any Building officials institute of New Zealand event including any personal expenses claim by employees.

The costs for attending Building Officials Institute of New Zealand courses (course fees only) are set out in the below table.

	BOINZ Course Fees (excl GST)
2016	\$ 45,815.70
2017	\$ 77,443.27
2018	\$ 31,836.83
2019	\$ 21,432.00

There may have been other personal expenses claimed by employees while attending any Building officials institute of New Zealand events however Hamilton City Council is unable to provide this information as the data is not categorised by event or provider so we would need to manually review all expense claims for the last four years to determine if they relate to your request. Therefore, this information has not been provided under Section 17(f) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 – the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

iii) How many hours a year are council employees involved in Building officials institute of New Zealand business including attending meetings and travel to and from meetings within council working time and being paid for by council.

Hamilton City Council does not hold data specifically related to Building officials institute of New Zealand business meetings. We have instead provided below an estimated number of hours spent by Hamilton City Council staff attending and travelling to/from meetings based on the meeting minutes prepared by the Building Officials Institute of New Zealand. We are unable to independently validate the estimates, given the data is not otherwise recorded by Hamilton City Council.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2016	4	40	4		5	5		24	12		45	
2017			5	4	45	12		5	40		40	16
2018		75	5		14	12		72	5		96	16
2019		45	16		50		12					

Please note, the above estimates are limited to current Hamilton Council employees.

Kind regards,

Amy Viggers

On behalf of the Privacy Officer

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From: official information
Sent: Monday, 15 July 2019 8:29 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: LGOIMA 19193 - RE: Information Request

Kia ora

I write to acknowledge your information request of 14 July 2019 in respect of building consents.

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 9 August 2019.

Ngaa mihi

Mothla Majeed
Privacy Officer



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Cc: "jen.baird@hcc.govt.nz" <jen.baird@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: Information Request

Hello,

Official information request - Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA).

Under the above act please provide the following:-

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