

20 May 2024

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Request for information 2024-094

I refer to your request for information dated Tuesday 23 April 2024, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on Tuesday 23 April 2024. You have requested the following:

“Copies of any/all Resources consent applications and correspondence relating to the resource consent applications submitted in relation to Benmore Cres Manor Park, Lower Hutt”.

Greater Wellington’s response follows:

On Tuesday 7 May 2024:

Greater Wellington sent an email, requesting further clarification/refinement of your request, especially in terms of location and timeframe.

On Thursday 9 May 2024:

You responded as follows:

“The location of interest is the area outline in green, as per your map on figure 1, but we also would like any information relating to Benmore Cres and the SH2/58 Haywards/Manor Park flyover intersection and access to and from state highway 2. We require all the current Greater Wellington approved and submitted consents relating to Benmore Crescent and any associated communication/letters and emails dating back to 2020 ASAP. In regard to the old and expired consents it is not a priority for us but would still like them for information and reference, so please send them through as you get a hold of them”.

“To clarify please provide copies of any/all resources consent applications and correspondence relating to the resource consent applications submitted in relation to Benmore Crescent, Manor Park

dating back to 2020 Including any discussions that are linked to Benmore Cres. Development between GWRC, Kiwirail, the Developer (Applications) and Waka Kotahi NZ transport agency back to 2020".

On Monday 13 May 2024:

Greater Wellington staff sought further clarification from you via phone. This was to:

- Further clarify your email response, as follows:
 - Although your response confirmed the location identified was correct, it also extended the scope to: *"the SH2/58 Haywards/Manor Park flyover intersection and access to and from state highway 2"*.
 - Your email response also helped refine the timeframe to: *"current Greater Wellington approved and submitted consents relating to Benmore Crescent and any associated communication/letters and emails dating back to 2020 ASAP"*. But also requested: *"old and expired consents for information and reference, as you get a hold of them"*.

As explained over the phone:

- Many of the granted resource consents in the Benmore Crescent location and flyover area were applied for prior to 2020 and many are now expired.
- Much of the information related to these old consents is held in our Archive files that can be more time-consuming to retrieve.
- It may also be useful to approach Kiwirail and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency directly to request information.

On Tuesday 14 May 2024:

Greater Wellington sent you a follow up email to confirm if the extended location area by Manor Park flyover was correct and a confirmation email was received from you.

Therefore, as agreed in your clarification request, as follows:

"Current Greater Wellington Regional Council approved and submitted consents relating to Benmore Crescent and any associated communication/letters and emails dating back to 2020 ASAP".

Greater Wellington has provided resource consent documents, and associated communication/letters and emails for the Benmore Crescent-Manor Park location.

Please refer to link: [2024-094-Appendices](#)

2024-094-Consents-Summary - for an overview of consent information/location etc, and

2024-094-Schedule-List-Appendices - for a full list of documents supplied (Appendices-A1-A4).

Please note, the 2024-094-Consents-Summary provides a list of all consents within the location requested including the flyover location. It includes a summary of the resource consents within the extent of the area of interest, and a notes section explaining what has been provided and the relevant appendices references (e.g. A1-WGN230031). It will hopefully provide enough information for you to determine if you require more information for expired/old consents. Please contact notifications@gw.govt.nz to specify what further information you would like to add to your request 2024-094.

Greater Wellington values being an open and transparent local government organisation and believes that access to information is a public right. We endeavour to respond to requests for information fulsomely and in a timely manner. However, the frequency, volume, and amount of information you have recently requested is significantly impacting Greater Wellington and its officers' abilities to carry out their functions and duties. Therefore, we are advising you that we will consider our options in responding to your future requests in accordance with the Act, including charging you for the supply of information.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington's website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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APPENDICES VIA LINK [2024-094-Appendices](#)

2024-094-Consents-Summary.xlsx

2024-094-Schedule-List-Appendices.xlsx

A1-WGN230031 Consent-Documents-and-Correspondence

A2- WGN2210223 Consent-Documents-and-Correspondence

A3- WGN100275 Consent-Documents-only

A4-WGN010006 Consent-Documents-only

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