

8 July 2019

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Email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Response - Official Information Request

I refer to your request for information received on 17 June 2019. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

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.

Council has not yet spent any money on this activity. However, engineering assistance is being sought at present to assist with the identification of potentially earthquake prone buildings in our priority areas. This work is expected to be completed by 30 September 2019.

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).

The cost is unknown at this time.

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?

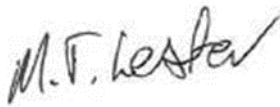
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How many buildings are still to be assessed by the authority?

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If you have any queries regarding this information please contact Ian McLachlan, Group Manager Customer and Regulatory Services on 06 366 0999 or email: ianm@horowhenua.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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