

Reference Number: 2023/1016

24 October 2023

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Email: [REDACTED]

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

### Response - Official Information Request

I refer to your request for information received on 10/10/2023. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

***“The total spend on tree trimming, tree removal, footpath repair and any other relevant cost to Winchester Street over the last 12 months.***

***-Please break down the total cost by what was done and how much it costed.”***

Tree Removal cost (Actual): \$9,857.60 excludes GST

Temporary footpath maintenance costs since 1 October 2022 (Actual): \$13,358.30 excludes GST

Estimate costs of required repairs yet to be undertaken: Kerb & Channel \$14,560, Road Repairs \$7,140, Footpath Renewal \$34,728.76 all excluding GST.

***“The total cost of trimming these trees under power lines.”***

Horowhenua District Council has established a contract for the maintenance of trees throughout the district based on a district-wide plan. Therefore, specific pricing for individual streets cannot be provided.

***“The total estimated cost of removal of these trees”***

This has been answered in the first question.

***“How many complaints have been filled for the trees on Winchester Street”***

There have been a total of 8 complaints filed for the trees on Winchester Street. This includes complaints about footpath hazards due to the trees. Council is also happy to provide the following pictures showing extent of damage from the trees.





You are entitled to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or free phone 0800 802 602.

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If you have any queries regarding this information, please contact the LGOIMA Officer on [LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz](mailto:LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz)

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