

LGOIMA reference – 2022/839

30 March 2022

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Dear [REDACTED]

Response - Official Information Request

I refer to your request for information received on 15/03/2022. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

A newspaper article says that in mid-to-late March, you are building a new toilet block with one changing room, two outdoor showers, water fountains for dogs and a covered area with picnic tables and an electric barbecue. The two portable toilets are temporary.

I hope the newspaper item/s is incomplete - as it reads the build is quite stupid.

Could you please send details of the new amenity, for example will it have toilets?

Please include the total dimension of the toilet block.

- **whether it is unisex or separate male/female facilities, etc**
- **the provision made for disabled people.**
- **if there are indoor showers as well as outdoor showers.**

Are the wc changing room separate from or part of the covered bbq/outdoor table area?

The beach population and the projected users total.

Two separate costs (1) the bbq/picnic table etc area and (2) the change room/wcs/showers etc.

Not interested in the facilities for dogs. Surely they will not be running free so loving, caring, dog owners will ensure they are well cared for.

The amenity block has the internal dimension of 5092 x 5092 mm.

The block includes the following features:

- Two fully accessible unisex toilet facilities, that comply with NZS4121:2001, which is the current standard;
- One changing room;
- a service room; and
- One storage room.

There are outdoor showers but no indoor showers.

The BBQ and picnic tables are separate from the toilets, though under the same overarching roof structure.

The outdoor seating area (including the picnic tables and BBQ) are designed to be fully accessible as per NZS4121:2001.

Following the latest national census of September 2018, there are 750 people living in the wider Waikawa Beach area, but of course this increases with visitors.

Council holds no information on the potential number of users. The new block is a replacement for the original block which had reached the end of its life and had a number of structural issues. The design for the new amenity block was developed in close consultation with the local community representatives, and the final design mirrors input and demand identified by the Waikawa Beach community.

The public toilet facility at Hank Edwards Reserve is the only public toilet facility available in a perimeter of approximately 10km. The next available public toilets are in either Otaki or Levin.

The total cost of the project is \$369,687 plus GST. This equates to a cost of \$354,628 (plus GST) for the ablution/changing block, and \$15,059 (plus GST) for the BBQ and tables.

If you have any queries regarding this information, please contact the LGOIMA Officer on 06 366 0999 or email - LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz

Yours sincerely,



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