

**Reference Number: 2025/1232**

23 May 2025

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Tēnā koe | Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email dated 19 May 2025 requesting under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), information relating to Horowhenua District Council confiscating Maori land. Please see outlined below a response to each part of your request.

***Please advise details of Maori land that HDC has confiscated since its inception.***

We do not hold any records of any Māori land that has been confiscated by Horowhenua District Council.

***Please advise details of Maori land that was confiscated by HDC's territorial authority predecessors.***

We do not hold any records of any land that has been confiscated by Horowhenua District Council predecessors.

This matter may fall more appropriately within the remit of the Waitangi Tribunal and Land Information New Zealand.

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 freephone 0800 802 602.

Horowhenua District Council publishes responses to Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) requests that we consider to be of wider public interest, or which relate to a subject that has been widely requested. To protect your privacy, we will not generally publish personal information about you, or information that identifies you. We will publish the LGOIMA response along with a summary of the request on our website. Requests and responses may be paraphrased.

If you would like to discuss this decision or any of the information provided as part of this request, please contact Monique Davidson, or [LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz](mailto:LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz).

Ngā mihi | Best regards



Monique Davidson  
**Chief Executive**