

Reference Number: 2025/1254

2 July 2025

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Tēnā Koe | Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email dated 25 June 2025 requesting under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), information relating to policies around generative AI. Please see outlined below a response to each part of your request.

Does your council currently have a policy governing the use of generative AI by staff?

Horowhenua District Council (the Council) does not have a current policy.

If so, can I please have a copy of the policy?

Please see the above response.

If not, are you in the process of developing such a policy?

Yes, we are in the process of developing a policy.

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 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 Nicki Brady (Group Manager Capability and Transformation) on nickib@horowhenua.govt.nz, or LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi | Best regards



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