

Reference Number: 2023/980

22 June 2023

Email: [REDACTED]

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

Response - Official Information Request

I refer to your request for information received on 6 June 2023. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) and I provide the following information.

"How many council owned facilities have signage stating 'Private Property'? broken down by the following categories...Utilities (e.g water /sewage plants)? Parks / Reserves? Buildings? Lockups or Yards? Other?"

Horowhenua District Council (HDC) have no signage stating private property at parks/reserves as they are openly accessible by the public as is required by law. In terms of HDC's property portfolio (camp grounds, commercial property, council building, endowment property, and general property), we do not erect such signage or condone its use. We do not have any signage at our community facilities – aquatic centres or libraries.

All water treatment plants and wastewater treatment plant sites have signs stating private property. The only sites that may not have these signs are the irrigation blocks at Foxton (private land owner), and the Shannon irrigation area which is owned by HDC and has a farm manager.

HDC's waste transfer stations at Foxton and Shannon do not have any signage stating private property.

There are no private property signs within any Council controlled transport assets.

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 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

Ngā mihi



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