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22 May 2020

Brian Warburton

Via email: fyi-request-12754-e09e3877@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Brian

Response to official information request for Waste Management

I refer to your request for official information received 1 May 2020, relating to letters sent to owners of the boatsheds at Titahi Bay which requested access to inspect them for water discharges. We have processed your request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987.

The information you have requested is enclosed.

Please send me a copy of the letters sent to the boatshed owners

There have been two letters dropped to each boatshed owner as follows:

The first letter, dated 23 March 2020, was to advise of obligations under the Resource Management Act to not discharge wastewater or other contaminants onto the beach or surrounding area. The letter requested acknowledgement of such obligations and to advise that Porirua City Council inspections were planned to confirm compliance.

The second letter was to advise planned inspections were being placed on hold, due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Copies of both these letters have been attached.

If you wish to discuss this further, please feel free to contact Kelvin Irvine, Property Manager on telephone: 04 237 1524 or email: kelvin.irvine@poriruacity.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi

Chief Executive

Kaiwhakahaere Matua

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23 March 2020

Dear

DISCHARGE OF WASTEWATER FROM BOATSHEDS

Porirua City Council and Greater Wellington Regional Council have been made aware of wastewater being illegally discharged directly onto the beach from the Titahi Bay boatsheds. Subsequent external inspections have confirmed this.

This letter is to inform you that you must contain all wastewater from your boatshed, and then dispose of it in an appropriate wastewater drainage system. Unauthorised discharge of wastewater or other contaminants onto the beach or surrounding area, is an offence under the Resource Management Act and is therefore a breach of the terms of the boatshed licence.

Your boatshed licence allows you to store watercraft and ancillary equipment, and requires you to comply with Council policy, statute, bylaw, regulation or other legal requirement applying to the boatshed or the foreshore. It also permits you to use water for the purposes of cleaning boats and fishing gear, but not for any other function.

Please sign and return the duplicate copy of this notice confirming your acknowledgement and acceptance of the requirement to cease discharging wastewater or contaminants onto the beach.

We are planning inspections between now and June 2020 and will be in contact to organise a time with you to discuss how you can meet these requirements. Please contact the Council's Property Team on 237 1524 if you have any questions about this matter.

Ngā mihi,

Kelvin Irvine

Manager Property Kaiwhakahaere Rawa



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31 March 2020

Dear

BOATSHED INSPECTIONS

I apologise for any confusion my letter of 23 March may have caused in relation to the scheduling timeframe for boatshed inspections this year. As indicated in my previous letter, we were planning to have all inspections carried out by 30 June 2020 – unfortunately my letter was drafted before the COVID-19 lockdown.

Now of course, we need to put these inspections on hold until further notice. I will be in touch again once normal business is up and running again.

Regards,

Ngā mihi,

Kelvin Irvine

Manager Property Kaiwhakahaere Rawa