

11 January 2022

LGOIMA No. 8140009291
(Please quote this in any correspondence)

William Foster
By Email: fyi-request-14913-4ead0303@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear William

Local Government Official Information And Meetings Act 1987
Correspondence regarding landfill

I refer to your email which we received on 21 September 2021, requesting correspondence regarding landfill. I also refer to my email to you on 1 October 2021, seeking refinement for your request, you replied on the same day and refined your request.

2. **Please provide details and associated correspondence (since Jan 2014) of any discussions AC has had with landfill managers for the disposal of residual waste to landfill beyond when the Redvale landfill’s consent expires in 2028.**
3. **Please provide all correspondence (contains keyword ‘wastemanagement’) between AC and WMNZ from the period when AC first became aware of the WMNZ Proposal or Jan 2014 (whichever is the earlier) until WMNZ had its resource consent application accepted by AC (13 March 2020).**
4. **Please identify any of that correspondence between AC and WMNZ that relates to capacity at the WMNZ landfill at Redvale since Jan 2014**
 - **from the Q 3 search results: search for: SUBJECT contains Redvale AND [ANY OF resource consent OR expiry OR replacement OR new landfill OR capacity]**

In response to your request, we conducted several ICT email (number) searches for email correspondence between relevant council staff members and contacts from Waste Management, using the parameters of the refined request.

Please refer to the following table for the search parameter details and results for all these three requests.

Question #	With the following keyword in the email subject or content	Timeframe	Search result
2	“Redvale AND 2028” OR “landfill AND 2028” OR “residual waste AND 2028”	Since January 2014	11
3	Wastemanagement	between January 2014 and 13 March 2020	4,954

4	"Redvale AND resource consent OR expiry OR replacement OR new landfill OR capacity"	between January 2014 and 13 March 2020	233
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We extracted the emails found regarding questions two and four of your request for our experts from the Infrastructure and Environmental Services departments to review. They have advised that all of the emails resulting from these two searches are not relevant and considered out of the scope of your questions.

In terms of the results for question three, to review 4,954 emails at approx. two minutes per email would take approximately 165 hours. We could not spend this much time on your request without it having an adverse effect on our ability to carry out our other functions.

Therefore, this part of your request has been refused under section 17(f) the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987(LGOIMA) as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

We have considered whether fixing a charge for the request would enable the request to be granted in accordance with section 17A(1) of LGOIMA . However, given the volume of information that resulted from this ICT email searches, we do not believe that charging for the information or extending the time limit further would allow us to grant your request in this instance.

Decisions about this response to your request were made by Parul Sood, General Manager of Waste Services.

Should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request you have the right to seek a review of the decision from the Ombudsman.

If you have any further queries please contact me on 09 301 0101, quoting LGOIMA No. 8140009291.

Yours sincerely



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