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Brian Warburton
Via email: fyi-request-16353-c30ec683@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Brian

Official information request related to the central city wastewater retention tank.

I refer to your official information request dated 9 August 2021 related to the wastewater joint venture with Wellington City Council and cost associated with the central city wastewater retention tank.

Part of the information you have requested is enclosed. The questions you specified have been included as numbered headings in bold below, with our response following each heading.

At the 'Extraordinary' meeting of the Council on 5 August 2021 the Council was presented with a report by staff that referred to a "wastewater joint venture with Wellington City Council". I request the following information:

1. a copy of the 'joint venture' with WCC

Please see attachment.

**2. all the information required for a member of the public or rate payers to know:
- what the budgeted cost of the city centre wastewater retention tank project is;**

The Council has budgeted \$43.8 million in the 2021-2051 Long-term Plan for the city centre wastewater retention tank.

**- whether WCC will be meeting part of the cost of the project;
- if WCC will be meeting part of the cost of that project what that proportion will be; and,
- if WCC will be meeting part of the cost of that project how will the cost be apportioned between WCC and PCC, or will it be a 'joint venture' with Wellington Water Limited dealing with the financial and contractual side of things.**

The Council is in negotiation with Wellington City Council on this matter. The information has been refused under Section 17(e) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act on the grounds that the document does not exist.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602. If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Moana Wyatt on 04 237 1411.

Ngā mihi

Wendy Walker
**Chief Executive
Kaiwhakahaere Matua**