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Via email: fyi-request-16730-bdc199f8@requests.fyi.org.nz

**Official information request related to the part transfer of a LGOIMA request**

I refer to your official information request dated 13 September 2021 related to the part transfer of LGOIMA request 21-108 to Greater Wellington Regional Council.

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.

**On 27 July 2021 I asked PCC for information about a recent discharge of wastewater to the coastal marine area at Onepoto, Porirua. This discharge is unconsented. Sometime in August, PCC transferred this LGOIMA request to Wellington Regional Council (GWRC). On 16 August 2021, I received a response from GWRC providing its response to the matters PCC had apparently transferred to it.**

**Further to this, and because PCC and GWRC have not kept me informed about what aspects of my request were transferred (and why!), I require the following information:**

- 1. a copy of all correspondence between PCC and GWRC relating to PCC's decision to transfer part of my 27 July 2021 request to GWRC;**  
Please see collated information attached
- 2. a copy of all correspondence within PCC relating to PCC's decision to transfer part of my 27 July 2021 request to GWRC;**  
The decision to transfer part of the request to Greater Wellington Regional Council was made during a conversation where it was identified that GWRC has responsibility for sections 12, 13 and 15 of the RMA. No written information exists.
- 3. a copy of all correspondence received by PCC relating to GWRC's decision to accept a transfer of part of my 27 July 2021 request to GWRC; and,**
4. Please see collated information attached
- 5. a copy of all correspondence received by PCC relating to GWRC's decision to provide me with a subsequent information request response**  
Please see collated information attached

In order to provide you with context to the information you've requested, please note that our Council had originally intended to collate the information from the three agencies involved (Porirua City Council, Wellington Water and Greater Wellington Regional Council) to provide you with one coordinated response. Because of this, we did not consider that our usual process of communicating a part transfer to the requester was necessary.

As it turned out, GWRC responded directly to you without communication with us. Had we known this would happen, we would have communicated to you the part transfer under section 12(b) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987.

We now have a better understanding of GWRC's process for future reference.

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](http://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 5089.

Ngā mihi



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**Kaiwhakahaere Matua**