



4 November 2021

**Brian Warburton** 

Via email: fyi-request-16945-cccb9a03@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Brian

Official information request related to the alignment of the MHWS at the outfall at Rukutane point

I refer to your official information request dated 30 September 2021.

The questions you specified have been included as numbered headings in bold below, with our response following each heading.

The Council is in the process of seeking RMA consents for Porirua's wastewater treatment plant. The proposal entails a discharge of 'treated' wastewater to the coastal marine area (the CMA). The landward limit of the CMA is defined by the alignment of the Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) - see section 2 of the RMA. Please provide me with the following information:

- 1. in the preparation of its consent application did PCC undertake a site-specific survey to determine the location of MHWS.
- 2. if PCC undertook such a survey what was the outcome of that?
- if PCC undertook such a survey what was method used to determine the alignment of the MHWS.
- 4. if no such survey was undertaken, was that a deliberate decision or was it an oversight,
- 5. if PCC didn't undertake an up-to-date site-specific survey, and relied upon other information about the location of the MHWS what was that other information it relied upon.
- 6. if the omission of such a survey was a deliberate decision the corresponding reasons.

This information is publicly available on the Wellington Water and Greater Wellington websites and as such we have decided to refuse your request under section 17(d) of the LGOIMA. For your convenience please see below.

https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/pwp/documents/ https://haveyoursay.gw.govt.nz/poriruawwtp

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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 <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a> or freephone 0800 802 602. If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [details of contact person].

Ngā mihi

Wendy Walker Chief Executive

Kaiwhakahaere Matua

