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Dear Mr Hardgrave

LGOIMA RESPONSE – USE OF CIVIC INFRASTRUCTURE BY FREEMASONS AND MASONIC LODGES

Please find below New Plymouth District Council's response to your LGOIMA request of 30 September 2022.

1. Please supply information for each of the last six years; These facilities might include, for example, use of accommodation, council transport, car parking, use of any other council owned, or hired, items. Should any of the above be made available to Freemasons on a private or commercial basis, then this should be stated (with details).

a) Has NPDC provided any facilities of whatsoever nature, to any Freemasons, or Masonic Lodges? What were these?

There has been one booking of the Bowl of Brooklands Stage for a morning tea in March 2018. This was a hireage fee of \$117.

2. Have there been any fiscal transactions of whatsoever nature, between NPDC and Freemasons, or Masonic lodges? (Definition of "transactions". This means any transfer of goods, services, or funds, a communicative action, or activity, between the council and Freemasons, or things that reciprocally affect or influence each other). Transactions does not include any "services" common to all residents of the city. It asks specifically for matters between the council and Freemasons which are being transacted due to the mutual relationship that exists between the parties.

a) What were these transactions by event which they occurred and during what financial period?

Refer Question 1a.

3. Have there been any gifts received by NPDC from Freemasons, or Masonic Lodges? (Gifts received, this includes both corporate and individual gifts).

a) How were these gifts accounted for when audits have been conducted?

Nil gifts received.

Yours faithfully



Julie Straka
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