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John McDonald
Via email: fyi-request-27381-049b8401@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear John

Official information request relating to cameras in Porirua and commercial relationships.

I refer to your official information request dated 25 June 2024.

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.

- 1. How many cameras with automatic number plate recognition capability have been installed on roads, streets, intersections, traffic lights, light posts, and other Council property with Porirua City Council's approval in the last five years?**
Porirua City Council does not operate license plate recognition software in its cameras system. Traffic signal cameras do not have number plate recognition.
- 2. How many cameras with automatic number plate recognition are operating in Porirua City with the Porirua City Council's approval?**
We have not granted approval for the use of automatic number plate recognition in Porirua City.
- 3. Does the Porirua City Council own these cameras, lease these cameras, or are they owned by another company?**
As per answer 2 above, we do not own or operate automatics number plate recognition cameras.
- 4. For the cameras operating on roads, streets, intersections, traffic lights, light posts, and other Porirua City Council property which are owned by companies rather than Porirua City Council, what are the names and NZBN numbers for those companies.**
Traffic signal cameras are owned by Porirua City Council. We are aware that Metlink and Waka Kotahi own and manage some cameras within the Porirua road corridor.
- 5. Which third parties does Porirua City Council provide data, images, or footage collected with cameras operating on roads, streets, intersections, traffic lights, light posts, and other Porirua City Council property?**
Regarding Porirua City Council facility and CBD cameras, footage is provided on request to New Zealand Police following an internal approval process. We do provide camera footage to others that request footage where they are in the images but with all other people being pixelated out to maintain their privacy.

All CCTV footage captured by cameras located at traffic signals are stored on NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi servers for a limited time. The Wellington Traffic Operations Centre (WTOC) operate our traffic signals and uses camera equipment to assist their operation of our signals. Any request for data, images, or footage requested by the NZ Police or Porirua City Council goes through WTOC.

- 6. Does Porirua City Council provide data, images, or footage to Auror Limited, Datacom Group Ltd, vGRID, SaferCities, or Safe City Group Limited?**

We provide footage on request to Police only.

7. **How many cameras does Porirua City Council have in 2024 which are supplying data, images, or footage to vGRID, SaferCities, and/or Safe City Group Limited?**

We own and operate 151 cameras throughout the CBD and our facilities, that has a recording function.

8. **How many cameras does Porirua City Council have in 2024 which are supplying data, images, or footage to Auror Limited?**

We have not provided camera footage to Auror Limited.

9. **How many cameras does Porirua City Council have in 2024 which are supplying data, images, or footage to Datacom Group Ltd?**

We have not provided camera footage to Datacom Group Limited.

10. **Does Porirua City Council have a commercial relationship with Auror Limited and what was the dollar value of contracts and total financial transactions (revenue and expenditure) with Auror Limited in the 2022/2023 financial year?**

We have no commercial relationship with Auror Limited.

11. **Does Porirua City Council have a commercial relationship with Datacom Group Ltd and what was the dollar value of contracts and total financial transactions (revenue and expenditure) with Datacom Group Ltd in the 2022/2023 financial year?**

Datacom group provides hardware and software solutions to the Council. These solutions are unrelated to the operation of camera systems within the Porirua locale. We are withholding information relating to the commercial arrangement under section 7(2)(b)(ii) on the grounds of commercial sensitivities.

12. **Does Porirua City Council have a commercial relationship with Safe City Group Limited and what was the dollar value of contracts and total financial transactions (revenue and expenditure) with Safe City Group Limited in the 2022/2023 financial year?**

We have no commercial relationship with Safe City Group Limited.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Moana Wyatt at official.information@poriruacity.govt.nz.

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