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Tēnā koe Mr McDonald

Thank you for your email of 25 June 2024 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting information regarding cameras. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Please find my response below.

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 Wellington City Council's approval in the last five years?*

There are three cameras with number plate recognition which have been installed on roads, streets, intersections, traffic lights, light posts, and other Council property with Wellington City Council's approval in the last five years.

2. *How many cameras with automatic number plate recognition are operating in Wellington City with the Wellington City Council's approval?*

The cameras above are the only cameras with number plate recognition operating with Wellington City Council approval.

3. *Does the Wellington City Council own these cameras, lease these cameras, or are they owned by another company?*

The cameras are owned by Wellington City Council.

4. *For the cameras operating on roads, streets, intersections, traffic lights, light posts, and other Wellington City Council property which are owned by companies rather than Wellington City Council, what are the names and NZBN numbers for those companies.*

This portion of your request is refused under section 17(g)(i) of the Act, the information requested is not held by the local authority and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another local authority or a department or Minister of the Crown or organisation.

5. *Which third parties does Wellington City Council provide data, images, or footage collected with cameras operating on roads, streets, intersections, traffic lights, light posts, and other Wellington City Council property?*

Wellington City Council has a memorandum of understanding with New Zealand Police, Wellington Free Ambulance, and Greater Wellington Regional Council. This allows those agencies to access footage to undertake their duties in accordance with their purpose. We also share footage with the NZ Transport Agency in accordance with its purpose.

The Council uses technology provided by Arthur D Riley Co. Ltd to store footage for the purpose of parking enforcement action.

Other parties can make requests for footage which are considered on a case-by-case basis.

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

We view some cameras through the vGrid platform by SaferCities, this means that SaferCities are provided footage from these cameras.

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

Wellington City Council has 205 cameras using the SaferCities vGrid platform with a maximum of 64 available to view at any time.

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

The Council has no cameras supplying data images or footage to Auror Limited.

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

The Council has no cameras supplying data images or footage to Datacom Group Ltd.

10. *Does Wellington 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?*

The Council does not have a commercial relationship with Auror Limited, therefore no financial information is available.

11. *Does Wellington 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?*

The Council does not have a commercial relationship with Datacom Group Ltd in scope of this request, therefore no financial information is available.

12. *Does Wellington 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?*

Yes, the Council has a commercial relationship with SaferCities, the total value of this relationship for the 2022/23 financial year was \$14,112.80.

You have the right, by way of complaint under section 28(1) of the LGOIMA, to request an investigation and review of the Council's decision to withhold information by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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