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Me Heke Ki Pōneke

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Tēnā koe AHB

Thank you for your request of 11 December 2024 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting information regarding citizenship ceremonies. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Please find my response below.

 I would like to request for all the Citizenship Ceremony dates from December 2024 to December 2025.

Information regarding the dates for citizenship ceremonies in 2025 is publicly available <u>here</u>. More dates will be announced once confirmed.

- I would also like to request what are the criteria and procedures for someone to attend a ceremony in a place that is not where they usually live. Is there any supporting document they need to provide?
- For example, if someone needs to attend a ceremony in Auckland but they wish to attend the ceremony in Hamilton (because the Hamilton one is the earliest and they don't get the Auckland one before their citizenship application lapse date), what he or she should do?

The Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) manages citizenship ceremonies, please contact them for information. They can be contacted at: <u>citizenshipceremonies@dia.govt.nz</u> or on 0800 22 51 51.

More information is also available here: Citizenship ceremonies | New Zealand Government.

If you require further information, please contact official.information@wcc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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