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Lloyd Davies

By email: fyi-request-29786-ca6d9d77@requests.fyi.org.nz

Tēnā koe Lloyd

Request for information 2025-020

I refer to your request for information dated 17 January 2025, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 17 January 2025. You have requested the following:

“I understand some years ago WRC donated an old English Electric multiple unit, named Phoenix to the National Railway Museum located in Christchurch, on the proviso that the unit be displayed in the museum in Christchurch. Am a requesting all the information around this donation, including any recent correspondence between the museum and the council in regards to the units disposal to a private individual and if there were any conditions attached to that.”

Greater Wellington’s response follows:

Please see **Attachment 1** for the information that Greater Wellington holds on the donation of the English Electric trains to the National Railway Museum.

Out of scope information has also been removed.

Please note we have withheld personal information such as names, email addresses and phone numbers from this document under section 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 in order to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

When withholding information under section 7 of the Act we are required to consider whether the public interest in the requested information outweighs Greater Wellington’s need to withhold certain aspects of the information. As a result, we do not consider that the public interest outweighs our reasons for withholding this information.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington's website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Samantha Gain', with a small dash at the end.

Samantha Gain

Kaiwhakahaere Matua Waka-ā-atea | Group Manager Metlink