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Dr Robert Shaw

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Dear Dr Shaw

LGOIMA - Request for information

We refer to your request (30 June 2017) for information relating to arsenic contamination in Opunake.

We are processing your request according to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible.

The Council does not currently hold the information you require in the format that you have requested. To answer your request would require the Council to create and compile a spreadsheet. The Council holds the information on contaminated sites in individual files - approximately 300 to 400. If a spreadsheet were to be compiled from each individual file, this would take a staff member approximately 4 hours. Using the Council's Charging Policy, this would be a charge of approximately \$560.91.

Using the standard TRC chargeout rates as outlined in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan, this charge is calculated as follows:

Professional Officer	4 hours at \$106.00 per hour	424.00
Director	0.25 hour at \$255.00 per hour	63.75
		487.75
Plus GST		73.16
<u>Total:</u>		\$ 560.91

Please note you have the right to have this charge reviewed by an Ombudsman.

If you wish to proceed with this information request, please advise and an invoice for payment will be provided. This invoice is required to be paid before the Council will collate the information and respond to this request.

The charge for the collation of this information request can be reduced or eliminated if you are able to refine the breadth of your request. Should you wish to streamline your request, please contact me and I will advise you if there would be a charge and how much it would be.

Your request is being handled by Delia Smith. If you have any queries, please feel free to contact Delia on (<u>delia.smith@trc.govt.nz</u> or 0800 736 222). If any additional factors come to light which are relevant to your request, please do not hesitate to contact us so that these can be taken into account.

Yours faithfully BG Chamberlain Chief Executive

per: G K Bedford

Director - Environment Quality

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