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James Wilson FYI.org.nz

By email to: fyi-request-6276-dc3565ab@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Wilson

## Official Information Request Response

Thank you for your information request sent via the FYI.org.nz website, and received by the Council's Complaints & Information Assurance team on 25 July 2017, regarding the Makara Peak mountain bike park.

In your email, you made the following request:

As noted in an email I received on June 26th, I am told that Makara Peak mountain bike park has a health and safety plan. I request that I be provided with a copy of that plan 1) As it was on that date, or around that date but before that date. 2) A copy of that plan as it currently reads.

I also request copies of resource consents and approved designs for any or all retaining walls and bridges within the park (excepting the large suspension bridge, constructed last year, and the two smaller bridges crossing Karori Stream).

I also request any documents WCC holds or has created, which would prove WCC's claim that tracks at Makara are audited/inspected for safety matters - such as collapsing retaining walls.

I have spoken with the Council's Parks, Sport & Recreation staff responsible for the Makara Peak mountain bike park, and have been provided with information to pass on to you.

Please bear in mind that Building Consents are not required for retaining walls up to a height of 1.5m, or for platforms (boardwalks/bridges) when the fall from the side is 1.5m or less.

Additionally, as the Makara Peak mountain bike park is categorised as Open Space B, Resource Consent is not required if the floor area of the structure being constructed is less than 30m<sup>2</sup>, or the height is less than 4m.

I have attached the more available information to this letter. This information includes:

Building Consent for Lazy Fern, Makara Peak – December 2007
Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park Site Assessment – 30 June 2014
WCC Volunteer Activity Hazard Assessment
Specification Plan for Lazy Fern (formerly Koru), including retaining and handrails
Makara Peak Track Maintenance Renewals Plan
6 documents relating to boardwalk specifications and construction
WCC 2015 Hazard and Risk Register

I have also been provided with copies of all of the bridge inspection records, for the inspections undertaken by Spencer Holmes in 2012 on the bridges at Makara Peak. This information helped inform the Council's repair and maintenance programme. There is a reassessment due to be undertaken in November 2017.

I am able to provide you with some, or all of these reports, but to provide all will require copying them on to a cd and posting to you as opposed to emailing and uploading them to FYI.org.nz. If you only want certain reports, please advise me of the bridge/track name or number and I can send these by return email. If you would like all 48 reports to be sent to you on cd, please email me from a separate email address with the postal address.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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