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Dear Elizabeth

**Local Government Official Information And Meetings Act 1987**

**Foreign Visitor Numbers to Waiheke**

Thank you for your email which we received on 8 March 2019 in which you requested -

- **access to the most recent information relating to foreign visitor numbers to Waiheke Island.**

The Waiheke Island Local Board estimate in their latest annual report that more than one million people visit Waiheke each year. You can read their report at the link below.

[Waiheke Local Board Annual Report 2017/18](#)

We cannot, however, tell you how many of these visitors are foreign, which we have taken to mean those who do not live in New Zealand. We have consulted with the departments in the council who are most likely to hold this information. They have confirmed that we do not have any information which allows us to count the number of foreign visitors to Waiheke.

Neither are they aware of any survey of visitors to Waiheke which asks if they live outside of New Zealand. A survey of visitors would be very difficult because of the multiple points and methods of entry to the island.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries please contact me on 09 301 0101, quoting LGOIMA No. 8140004392.

Yours sincerely

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