FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



17 July 2025



LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Thank you for your letter dated 4 July 2025. It contained a variety of subjects, two of which were requests for official information which we have processed under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). A decision has now been made on your request pursuant to section 13 of the LGOIMA, and to provide the information requested.

In your letter, you asked for information about:

• Entrance points from Pohutukawa Avenue

There is no record on the property file for either 260 or 260A Pohutukawa Avenue (both held in the same Certificate of Title) of council staff giving permission allowing multiple vehicle crossings. There is no restriction in the District Plan for the number of vehicle crossings to a lot. However, there are design standards which may well impose a practical limit. The location of a vehicle crossing is subject to the Council's Transportation Team's approval, taking into account sight distances, distances to an intersection and traffic safety considerations. Whether or not access can be practicably provided for a proposed lot is one part of the assessment of a subdivision application.

• Point 2 - Religious obligations or practices

The Whakatāne District Council does not have any religious obligations or practices in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

If you are not satisfied with my response, you are entitled to request a review by the Ombudsman. Further information can be obtained from the following website www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that this response may be published on our website. All personal information will be removed.

Nāku noa, nā

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