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Tēnā koe Andrew

### **Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA)**

#### **Auckland Monthly Housing Update records**

Thank you for your email which we received on 2 June 2022 in which you requested information about the Auckland Monthly Housing Update records.

The specific details of your request and our response is below.

***The Auckland Monthly Housing Update records how many dwellings were consented within the rapid transit network's (RTN) walking catchment. The walking catchment is defined to extend out to a distance of 1500m.***

***How was this distance selected and what evidence was this decision based upon?***

At the time the Monthly Housing Update was first published there was no definitive or formal approach adopted by Auckland Council to walkable distances. The methodology used by Council has remained flexible and can be reported at 50m or 100m intervals. The 500m, 1000m and 1500m catchments Council reports on in the housing update resulted from the report below that found that some Aucklanders surveyed are willing to walk up to 2km to good public transport. 2km was considered to cast the net too widely and hence the reporting catchments of 500/1000/1500m were arrived at to keep the distance intervals equal.

<https://knowledgeauckland.org.nz/media/1541/tr2013-014-walkable-catchments-analysis-at-auckland-train-and-northern-busway-stations-2013.pdf>

The catchments reported on have remained at 500/1000/1500m intervals to keep monitoring work consistent. Once adopted, the NPS on Urban Development will provide a more definitive approach to defining walkable catchments. The approach taken in the Monthly Housing Update will likely be updated accordingly at this time.

Decisions about this response to your request were made by Jacques Victor, General Manager Auckland Plan Strategy and Research.

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 questions please contact me at [elaine.tunai-po@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:elaine.tunai-po@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) or contact me on 09 301 0101, quoting LGOIMA No. 8140010425.

Ngā mihi

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