

## By email

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Dear Mr Randle

## Request for information OIA 2019-026

Further to our response to your request for information dated 1 February 2019, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) on 4 February 2019, we are now in a position to respond to the final part of your request. Specifically:

*“I am interested in the proposed GWRC 2018/19 Annual Plan and, in particular, how the Transport Rates have been calculated.*

*1) Can you please provide me with a complete copy of the detailed calculations that were used to provide the transport rates information in the draft 2019/20 Annual Plan?*

GWRC’s response follows.

Please find copies of spreadsheets which demonstrate what made up the draft transport rate in the GWRC’s 2018/19 Annual Plan.

Please note that in the attached documents, the projected cost information relating to the bus, rail and ferry contracts in the Wellington Region has been withheld in accordance with sections 7(2)(b)(ii) and 7(2)(i) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) on the grounds that releasing the breakdown of the cost estimates would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the operators when negotiating similar contracts, and the GWRC’s ability to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations for the upcoming contracts.

We have therefore, provided you with this information in two formats:

- **Attachment 1(a):** is an electronic copy of the spreadsheet (with the projected cost estimate information relating to the bus and rail contracts deleted) in a format that gives the figures but does not give the formulae behind the figures

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- **Attachment 1(b):** is an electronic copy of the spreadsheet (with the projected cost estimate information relating to the bus and rail contracts deleted) in a format that gives the formulae behind the figures

We have considered whether the public interest in the requested information outweighs GWRC's need to withhold certain aspects of the requested information. As a result, we do not consider that the public interest outweighs GWRC's reason for withholding parts of the document under the grounds identified above.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Act.

Yours sincerely



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