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Tēnā koe Mr Lane

Thank you for your email of 26 March 2024 to Wellington City Council | Te Kaunihera o Pōneke (the Council), requesting the following information:

 Are you please able to supply Audio Descriptions, visual descriptions and Alt text of all publically funded murals commissioned since 2019.

Your request is being considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA).

Many of the commercially funded murals commissioned since 2019 have descriptions or blurbs about their design and meaning on the Council's website, on either the <u>Arts</u> webpages or on the <u>Our Wellington</u> webpages.

We don't provide audio or visual descriptions for images on the website; however, we aim to provide alt. text for all images. There are some exceptions though, for example decorative images (images that don't provide additional information such as design elements) and older images may not have had alt. text added when they were loaded. We don't provide audio or visual descriptions as the alt. text we add to images (along with text on the webpages) can be read out loud by text-to-speech or screen reader software.

The Creative Capital team are in the process of updating the <u>pakiTara-toi</u> art on walls webpages, uploading information about recent projects and working with the Web team to include alt. text to ensure these projects are accessible.

It is for the aforementioned reasons that I am refusing your request pursuant to section 17(d) as the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

If there is a specific mural that you have not been able to find the alt. text for, please contact the Creative Capital team via arts@wcc.govt.nz.

You have the right, by way of complaint under section 28(1) of the LGOIMA, to request an investigation and review of the Council's decision to refuse information by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you require further information, please contact assurance@wcc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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