

13 March 2025

**Absolutely Positively  
Wellington City Council**

Me Heke Ki Pōneke

File Ref: IRC-7958

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Tēnā koe 7(2)(a),

Thank you for your email dated 16 February 2025 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting the following information:

1. The cost of the rainbow crossing painted in your district
2. From the 1st application made to the last repainted date (should they have been defaced) between 2021-2024. How much does it cost? Who do you contract to paint it and the number of times it's been repainted?
3. The names of the people who defaced the rainbow crossing and what their outcome in court was? If no name, the outcome in court will be sufficient.

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

**Question 1 - *The cost of the rainbow crossing painted in your district***

The installation of the crossing and associated costs amounted to \$26,844.47 excluding GST and came from the Urban Design Minor CBD budget. This includes painting of the crossing, traffic management, security, fencing, signage and communications with neighbours. It also includes additional safety features that were installed while the road was closed. The painting of the crossing itself was \$3,990. Traffic management was the largest proportion of the cost at \$11,710.

**Question 2 - *From the 1st application made to the last repainted date (should they have been defaced) between 2021-2024. How much does it cost? Who do you contract to paint it and the number of times it's been repainted?***

Since its installation in October 2018, the rainbow crossing has been repainted once at a cost of \$18,095.34 (exc. GST). This was undertaken in February 2022 by the Council's contactor Fulton Hogan.

**Question 3 - *The names of the people who defaced the rainbow crossing and what their outcome in court was? If no name, the outcome in court will be sufficient.***

Apart from tyre marks, the rainbow crossing has not been defaced and therefore this part of your request has been refused under section 17(g) of the LGOIMA because the requested information is not held.

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 withhold information 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 require further information, please contact [official.information@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:official.information@wcc.govt.nz).

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'O' followed by a wavy line.

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Wellington City Council