

8 July 2025

File Ref: IRC-8583

7(2)(a)

Tēnā koe **7(2)(a)**

Thank you for your email dated 9 June 2025 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting the following information:

- All correspondence and documentation relating to The Lofts and The Hub apartments on the corner of Victoria St and Ghuznee St from January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2014, and
- All correspondence and documentation relating to The Lofts and The Hub apartments on the corner of Victoria St and Ghuznee St in 2024 and so far in 2025

As per your email on 18 June 2025 you refined your request to:

- All correspondence and documentation relating to building standards and weathertightness at the Lofts and Hub apartments on the Corner of Victoria Street and Ghuznee Street from 1 January 2014 – 30 June 2014.

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

Below are the documents & correspondence that fall in scope of your refined request and my decision to release the documents:

Item	Document Name	Decision	Summary
1.	140408 W10B11 CRG RPT LT – 8 April 2014	Withheld in full under section 7(2)(g) maintain legal professional privilege.	Communication between the Council and the Council’s lawyers regarding litigation.
2.	1404031284 W10B11 SBM LT – 8 April 2014	Withheld in full under section 7(2)(g) maintain legal professional privilege.	Communication between the Council and another party in connection with an attempt to settle civil proceedings.
3.	David Goddard - Memo – Lofts – 18 February 2014	Withheld in full under section 7(2)(g) maintain legal professional privilege.	Legal advice.

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4.	Lofts mediation – 19 February 2014	<p>Some information redacted under sections: 7(2)(c)(ii) protect information that is the subject of an obligation of confidence, where making the information available would be likely to damage the public interest.</p> <p>Some information redacted as out of scope.</p>	Internal communication between Seismic Assessment & Weathertight Claims team and the Chief Financial Officer. Owners of Lofts apartment request Council attend proposed mediation.
5.	Settlement Agreement – February 2014	Withheld in full under section 7(2)(c)(ii) protect information that is the subject of an obligation of confidence, where making the information available would be likely to damage the public interest.	Settlement agreement between the Body Corporate and the Council.

As per section 7(1) of the LGOIMA, I do not consider that in the circumstances of this response, the withholding of this information is outweighed by the other considerations which render it desirable to in the public interest to make the information available.

Please note, we may proactively release our response to your request with your personal information removed.

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 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 official.information@wcc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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Wellington City Council



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Greg,

We have received a request from the lawyers acting for the owners of the Loft apartments. They have requested we attend a proposed mediation

this stage the potential dates are 28 Feb, 3, 4, or 11 March.

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regards,

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