


22 November 2024

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Tēnā koe 

### **Request for information – Seaview Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)**

I refer to your clarified request of 25 October 2024 for information that Wellington Water Limited (WWL) has provided to its shareholding councils related to Seaview WWTP.

Your request is responded to in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA – the Act) 1987 and is detailed in the appendix on the following page.

Information has been withheld as allowed by section 7(2)(a) of the Act related to *the privacy of natural persons*. In accordance with section 7(1) of the Act, we do not consider the withholding of information under section 7(2)(a) of the Act is outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

Please note that it is our policy to publicly release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly at <https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/about-us/official-requests/official-information-act-responses/> with your personal information removed.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. 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 wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to email us at [official.information@wellingtonwater.co.nz](mailto:official.information@wellingtonwater.co.nz)

Nāku noa, nā



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## APPENDIX

1. *The advice Wellington Water Limited (WWL) has provided to Hutt City and Upper Hutt City Councils in relation to the Seaview WWTP, as part of their Long-Term Plan advice, from 1 July 2023- 24 October 2024.*

Please note that the full advice for Seaview Wastewater Treatment Plant costs is provided to Hutt City Council (HCC). Upper Hutt City Council (UHCC) are re-charged a portion of these costs by HCC. Therefore, we have provided the advice to HCC, as this represents the full advice on Seaview WWTP costs.

The following documents are in scope of your request and publicly available on the WWL website:

- <https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Draft-Programme-Advice-Memo-Advice-UHCC-18-Mar-2023.pdf>
- <https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Investment-planning-and-advice-to-Hutt-City-Council-October-2023.pdf>
- <https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Investment-planning-and-advice-to-Upper-Hutt-City-Council-October-2023.pdf>
- <https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Investment-planning-and-advice-to-Upper-Hutt-City-Council-October-2023.pdf>
- [https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Investment-Planning-and-Advice-Stage-3\\_HCC-13-Nov-2023.pdf](https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Investment-Planning-and-Advice-Stage-3_HCC-13-Nov-2023.pdf)
- [https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Draft-Programme-Advice-Memo\\_HCC-8-Feb-2024.pdf](https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/assets/Reports-and-Publications/2024-34-Long-term-plan-Draft-Programme-Advice-Memo_HCC-8-Feb-2024.pdf)

The following documents are in scope of your request and provided in a [dropbox](#) link:

Date	Doc type	Title
13/9/2023	Hand-out	Overview of HCCs 3 waters renewals
13/9/2023	Hand-out	2024_34 pre-reading Investment Planning Advice HCC Step 1 Council briefing on challenges and priorities
13/9/2023	Hand-out	2024_34 Investment Planning and Advice HCC Step 1 Council briefing on challenges and priorities
9/10/2023	Hand-out	2024_34 Investment Planning Advice HCC Step 2 direction on detailed investment options
13/11/2023	Handout	2024-34 Investment Planning and Advice HCC
2/2/2024	Memo	Advice to HCC re draft 3W operational and capital programmes and budgets for 2024_34 LT
8/2/2024	Memo	Advice to HCC re drafted 3W operational and capital programmes and budgets for 2024_34 LTP
17/5/2024	Memo & spreadsheet	Finalisation of the HCC LTP 3W investment programme
27/5/2024	Memo	Finalisation of the HCC LTP 3 waters investment programme
15/8/2024	Memo	HCC Three Waters LTP 2024-34 Final info pack and close out advice

2. *The presentations Wellington Water Limited has made to Hutt City and Upper Hutt City Councils and other forums related to Seaview WWTP from 1 July 2023- 24 October 2024.*

The following presentations are in scope of your request and provided in a [dropbox](#) link:

Date	Title
22/9/2023	Hutt Valley Trunk Wastewater – Long Term Plan Investment Briefing
6/12/2023	Seaview WWTP Odour Control Community Meeting
15/9/2024	Seaview WWTP Petone Community Board Meeting
21/3/2024	Seaview WWTP Community Liaison Group Meeting

3. *If the city councils have agreed to fund all of the activities that you asked for in your proposal for them to fund and if not why not and what the differentials are.*

Wellington Water Limited is not in a position to respond on why the council did not decide to fund any particular part of the programme, as this decision is for the council. Page 12 of document titled: *2024\_34 Investment Planning Advice HCC Step 2 direction on detailed investment options* (9 October 2023) provides indicative recommended funding requirements for all Joint Venture Wastewater assets, including Seaview WWTP (Please refer to the Wastewater JV line in option 2, which shows the total investment recommended). The final funding decisions for all capital projects are confirmed in the memo titled *HCC Three Waters LTP 2024-34 Final info pack and close out advice* (15 August 2024).