

8 April 2025

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**Request for information about conflict of interest and gift register**

Thank you for your request of 11 March 2025, made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA – the Act) for the following:

*When was the conflict of interest register staff get setup?*

*When did the gift register get set up.*

*Please provide anonymised copies of the registers for the last five years*

Your request is responded to in accordance with the Act. Please refer to the appendix on the following page that responds to your individual questions.

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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Chief Corporate Services Officer  
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1. *When was the conflict of interest register staff get setup?*

A conflict of interest policy was published in 2016 highlighting the expectation to recognise and manage potential or perceived conflict of interest situations in order to protect individuals and to preserve public, customer and shareholder trust and confidence in Wellington Water. This included a requirement for Board members, Wellington Water senior managers and other staff as appropriate to sign a conflict of interest declaration, and update this declaration should circumstances arise which could lead to an undeclared conflict of interest. A process was published in 2018 providing for recording of conflict of interest declarations in an Interests Register.

2. *When did the gift register get set up.*

The gift register has been active since Wellington Water Limited started in 2014.

3. *Please provide anonymised copies of the registers for the last five years*

Please refer to the attached documents titled:

- *WWL Gift Registers COMBINED.pdf*
- *WWL Board COI register COMBINED redacted.pdf*
- *WWL COI Declaration.pdf*

Some information has been withheld under section 7(2)(a) – *privacy*<sup>1</sup> of the Act. In accordance with section 7(1) of the Act, we do not consider the withholding of information under the respective section(s) 7 of the Act is outweighed by other considerations which render it desirable, in the public interest, to make that information available.

Please note, where a Wellington Water Limited staff member has a conflict of interest, they complete a WWL COI Declaration (example attached). This information is held by the People and Capability team, Capital Projects team and the Company Secretary.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1987/0174/latest/DLM122287.html>