

10 June 2025

LGOIMA 25-106

Tēnā koe [REDACTED]

### Request for information

Thank you for your request of 12 May 2025, made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA – the Act) for the following:

*I understand that the Porirua (incl Northern Wellington) wastewater network is designed to allow discharge of untreated wastewater from the network and into the environment before it can reach the treatment plant. The overflow at Rukutane Point where wastewater from the Titahi Bay catchment is discharged directly to the CMA if the inflow exceeds the capacity of the pump at Rukutane Point is one example.*

*In this regard and in regard to the wider network, please provide me with the following information:*

- 1. Details of all events since 1 August 2024 when the Rukutane Pt pump capacity was exceeded, and untreated wastewater was discharged directly into the environment. Details should include: date, duration, volume of wastewater discharged, peak discharge rate.*
- 2. Details of all events since 1 August 2024 when the 'City Centre' at Lyttleton Ave pump capacity was exceeded, and untreated wastewater was discharged directly into the environment. Details should include: date, duration, volume of wastewater discharged, peak discharge rate.*
- 3. Summary details of any enforcement actions taken against WWL or PCC by GWRC in relation to any such overflows.*

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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## APPENDIX

1. Details of all events since 1 August 2024 when the Rukutane Pt pump capacity was exceeded, and untreated wastewater was discharged directly into the environment. Details should include: date, duration, volume of wastewater discharged, peak discharge rate.
2. Details of all events since 1 August 2024 when the 'City Centre' at Lyttleton Ave pump capacity was exceeded, and untreated wastewater was discharged directly into the environment. Details should include: date, duration, volume of wastewater discharged, peak discharge rate.

Pump Station	Date Started	Date Ended	Receiving Water	Duration (hrs)	Volume (m3)	Peak flow (L/s)
City Centre Pump Station	26/08/2024 5:35:00 am	26/08/2024 3:15:00 pm	Porirua Harbor	9.7	11,346	442
	27/08/2024 6:15:00 am	27/08/2024 12:30:00 pm	Porirua Harbor	6.2	6,756	509
	3/09/2024 1:05:00 pm	3/09/2024 4:15:00 pm	Porirua Harbor	3.2	3,588	363
	16/09/2024 6:45:00 pm	17/09/2024 1:10:00 am	Porirua Harbor	6.4	7,465	517
	14/10/2024 6:05:00 am	14/10/2024 1:15:00 pm	Porirua Stream	7.2	8,805	537
	15/11/2024 5:45:00 am	15/11/2024 10:30:00 am	Porirua Stream	4.7	2,813	318
	3/01/2025 10:25:00 pm	3/01/2025 11:10:00 pm	Porirua Stream	0.8	911	240
	21/04/2025 4:51:00 am	21/04/2025 6:30:00 am	Porirua Stream	1.7	1,761	326
	1/05/2025 2:10:00 am	1/05/2025 10:25:00 am	Porirua Stream	8.3	10,968	608
	18/05/2025 9:15:00 am	18/05/2025 7:35:00 pm	Porirua Stream	10.3	12,591	513
Rukutane Point Pump Station	26/08/2024 6:02:00 am	26/08/2024 7:59:00 pm	Titahi Bay	14	*	*
	1/09/2024 1:07:00 am	1/09/2024 5:41:00 am	Titahi Bay	4.6	*	*
	3/09/2024 1:04:00 pm	3/09/2024 7:47:00 pm	Titahi Bay	6.7	*	*
	4/09/2024 4:57:00 am	4/09/2024 10:59:00 am	Titahi Bay	6	*	*
	16/09/2024 8:00:00 pm	18/09/2024 3:11:00 am	Titahi Bay	31.2	*	*
	15/11/2024 6:11:00 am	15/11/2024 10:43:00 am	Titahi Bay	4.5	*	*
	16/12/2024 2:19:00 pm	16/12/2024 3:28:00 pm	Titahi Bay	1.1	*	*
	18/05/2025 2:45:00 pm	18/05/2025 6:10:00 pm	Titahi Bay	3.4	*	*

\* Please note, the Rukutane sensor is a level sensor only, so no flow or volume data is available.

On the basis that the Rukutane Point Pump Station pump volume and peak flow is not available, we must respectfully refuse this part of your request under section 17(e) of the Act, as the information does not exist or cannot be found.

3. *Summary details of any enforcement actions taken against WWL or PCC by GWRC in relation to any such overflows.*

There are no records of any enforcement action relating to the Rukutane Point Pump Station discharges, and the City Centre Pump Station from August 2024.

Please note that decisions regarding enforcement action sit with GWRC, as the regulatory authority.

On that basis, we must respectfully refuse this part of your request under section 17(e) of the Act, as the information does not exist or cannot be found.