

1 August 2025

LGOIMA 25-143

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Request for information

Thank you for your request of 4 July 2025, made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA – the Act) for the following:

I have looked online and cannot find the information I am interested in regarding the composition and quality of water for the te puna spring in buick street, petone.

I would like to see water composition and quality tests for the Buick Street Petone aquifer filter. I would like to see the raw test results and any explanation that covers what is not tested for. I am especially interested in any records of heavy metals or chemicals that have been tested in the past. When I say in the past - what I specifically mean is covering two scenarios:

1 - if metals are tested for regularly, please provide me the past few tests (1-2 year period subject to number of tests. I don't need 100 tests - but I would like to see the ones that show the range of results that are possible over a 1-2 years).

2 - if metals are not tested for regularly, please provide results from the last few times metals were tested for

Your request was transferred from Hutt City Council to Wellington Water under section 12 of the Act, as we are the lead agency for Hutt City Council's water infrastructure. The response to your questions are available below.

Metals testing of the groundwater at the three public tap sites is not required for Taumata Arowai compliance. The Buick Street (and the Hutt Civic Centre and Waiwhetu Marae public taps) draws water from the Waiwhetu Aquifer, which is also the aquifer that supplies water to the Waterloo and Gear Island Water Treatment Plants. We do significant water quality monitoring (including metals) from the bores in Knights Road and at Gear Island.

We haven't done metals testing at the three public tap sites in several years due to being low risk, not required for drinking water compliance, and significant monitoring at the Waterloo and Gear Island water treatment plants.

Wellington Water does not hold information you have requested. Accordingly, we refuse this part of your request under section 17(e) of the Act, as the information sought is not held.

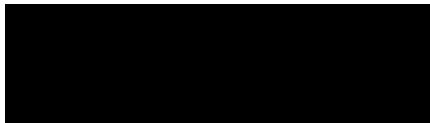
Please note that it is our policy to publicly release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at

<https://www.wellingtonwater.co.nz/about-us/official-requests/official-information-act-responses/> with any 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 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

Nāku noa, nā



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