

20 August 2025

LGOIMA 25-151

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### Request for information

Thank you for your request of 21 July 2025, made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA – the Act) for the following:

*This is an official information request asking for information on the new water pipe bridge in the [Kaitoke Regional Park](#):*

*-The total breakdown (both budgeted and spent) on the \$41 million bridge and the overall figure.*

Thank you for your patience, we apologise for the delay in responding to your request.

### Budgeted

We note that the Kaitoke Flume Bridge project budget of \$41.9 million was approved by Greater Wellington Regional Council at its meeting on 16 December 2021, during the public-excluded section of the agenda. Accordingly, under section 17(e) of the Act, Wellington Water does not hold a further budgeted breakdown of this project.

You may wish to contact Greater Wellington Regional Council directly should you seek access to records of its decision.

### Actual

The project and main works contract are scheduled for completion this financial year. Final project-related costs from both contractors and consultants are expected to be received in 2025 as part of the project close-out process.

Financial information relating to projects is only released once it is verified, finalised, and unlikely to result in commercial harm. While a project remains active, all associated costs are considered provisional and subject to change before final close-out. Releasing financial details prematurely may mislead the public and could adversely affect the commercial interests of Wellington Water or its contractors.

Accordingly, actual cost information has been withheld under the following sections of the Act:

- **Section 7(2)(j)** – To avoid prejudice to ongoing negotiations.
- **Section 7(2)(b)(ii)** – To protect against unreasonable prejudice to the commercial position.
- **Section 7(2)(c)(ii)** – For information supplied in confidence.

We have considered the public interest in releasing this information. On balance, we consider there is a greater public interest in ensuring that only accurate, finalised figures are released and in protecting the commercial position of all parties while the project is underway.

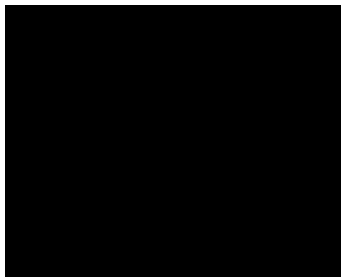
Please note, if you wish to request this information once the project is complete and all contractual matters have been finalised, we will reassess its release at that time in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

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](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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