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Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)

Thank you for your email of **27 September 2023** requesting the following information:

- 1. Can you please advise if the river has exceeded the certain ‘trigger points’, i.e., if the mouth migrates either 500 metres south, or 200 metres north, of the groyne on the south bank of the river since the last cut (2001) was made and how often/dates? If so, was a consent for a cut applied for after each event? If not, why not?***

As the Waikanae River is not maintained by the Kāpiti Coast District Council as per the Water Course Agreement between KCDC and GWRC and therefore we do not record this information. It is our understanding that under Rule R214 of the Natural Resources Plan that no consent would be required to undertake this work if it reached the trigger level noted in Schedule T as you have noted above.

- 2. Access to the council's aerial photos of this area from the 30's through to the 2023?***

All of our aerial photos can be viewed on our website located here:

<https://maps.kapiticoast.govt.nz/LocalMaps/Gallery/>

Another external resource of historical aerial photography can be found here:

<https://retrolens.co.nz/>

Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.

- 3. Are KCDC concerned at the impact that this resultant erosion is having on their stormwater system, the marine reserve markers and the threat to the community of North Paraparaumu Beach through inundation via the stormwater system and dune erosion? If so, have they advocated/ requested for the river to be kept north by cutting, as was done for the 70 years of accretion on North Manly St?**

Coastal Erosion is of concern to KCDC as is shown via our efforts through the Coastal Adaptation Project - Takutai Kapiti <https://takutaikapiti.nz/>

A KCDC Officer made informal contact with GWRC around 2017/18 in regarding movement of the river mouth. It was noted that they were monitoring the situation.

- 4. What has been the cost to council/ratepayers for maintaining/repairing the stormwater drains, marine reserve signs, driveway restoration and other work caused by the erosion at North Manly St since the cuts were stopped? What was the cost of this for the same time period prior to 2001?**

The breakdown of costs for the stormwater pipe maintenance is as follows:

2017 - \$75,575 for repairing of stormwater pipes and removing a manhole

2022 - ~\$5,000 for a temporary fix to stormwater pipes

2023 – tender been issued for \$82,644 to undertake repairs to the stormwater pipes.

For maintenance prior to 2001, we have not been able to find any details of expenditure on maintenance and repairs. However, in noting the aerial photography, it is likely that our maintenance would have been minimal as manhole was still buried in 1998 and the manholes and two sections of pipe behind it were only exposed in 2001.

KCDC does not maintain the marine reserve signs, these are the responsibility of the Department of Conservation.

The breakdown of costs for the maintenance of the North Beach accessway is a bit more difficult as some of the costs are aggregated under a beach access budget line. However, some examples of recent expenditure is noted below:

2022 - \$4,830 to reinstate beach access

2022 - \$1262.30 to reinstate beach access

We do not have a breakdown of historical maintenance costs of the North Beach Accessway prior to 2001. Anecdotal evidence from long serving staff would

suggest that regular maintenance interventions would have been occurring through out this time however we can not note to what level.

Ngā mihi,



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