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Waikanae Watch
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Request for Official Information responded to under the Local Government and Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) – reference: 7654607 (OIR 2021-118).

I refer to your information request we received on 27 October 2020 for the following:

- 1. *What is the approximate market value of the old Waikanae Library building at the northeast end of Mahara Place at present?***

The estimated Capital Value is \$1,440,000.00

- 2. *What is its existing floor area?***

The ground floor measures approximately 520sqm and the first floor measures approximately 385sqm.

- 3. *How much of the building was unused at the time it was vacated?***

The building was entirely used prior to being vacated.

- 4. *What structural needs exist to make that building compliant with the Earthquake code?***

As the building is compliant, structural upgrades are not necessarily required.

- a) *What is the estimated cost of this?***

Not applicable as the building is structurally compliant.

- 5. *What structural remedial work needs are there to make the building habitable (whether or not as a library), including floors, roof, interior walls?***

This information is unknown at present.

- a) *What is the estimated cost of all this?***

This information is unknown at present.

On the basis that we do not hold the information in relation to question 5 and 5(a) above we must decline this part of your request as the documents alleged to contain the information requested do not exist despite reasonable efforts to locate them, they cannot be found (Section 17(e) of the Act refers).

6. Do the interior walls contain asbestos?

The only identified asbestos present is in gaskets located in the boiler room and in a Bitumen packer to the interior timber framed wall in the first floor office.

7. Have any architectural design concept drawings been made to refurbish the building with a library-suitable interior design?

No architectural concept designs have been prepared yet.

8. If so, do these plans involve an extension of the building into what at one time was the loading bay area on the west side?

Not applicable.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman to review this decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, by fax to (04) 471 2254, or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi



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