

OIR: 2223/461

1 March 2023

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

Thank you for your email of 31 January 2023 requesting the following information:

I understand that there has been communications within council staff and elected members relating to having matters related to the Gateway / Te Uruhi motion from December's Council Meeting taken to the Strategy, Operations and Finance Committee.

Please can you provide copies of all correspondence (including email, report, records of conversations) on this matter between any elected representatives and/or any Kāpiti Coast District Council staff member or contractor. This includes any communications by staff, contractors or elected representatives on both KCDC sanctioned and non-KCDC communications methods and platforms (eg text, messenger etc).

I understand that this motion may now be brought back to councillors at an extra meeting in early March, so please can you treat this request under urgency and respond within the next 7 days.

The Te Uruhi report was scheduled to be presented at the Strategy, Operations and Finance Committee meeting to be held 9 March 2023.

At this meeting, Mayor Holborow asked staff whether it would be possible to change the timeframe of the report so that Council considered the report rather than the Strategy, Operations and Finance Committee.

Staff explained that the reason for the report going to the Strategy, Operations and Finance Committee was due to the turnaround time between the briefing and the scheduled Council meeting. Staff undertook to discuss further with the Chief Executive whether there was the ability to bring the report back to Council rather than the Strategy, Operations and Finance Committee.

A staff report on the Te Uruhi project will be considered at an Additional Council Meeting on Thursday 2 March 2023. The agenda for this meeting also includes the Notice of Motion on Te Uruhi Gateway project, which has been lying on the table since the Council meeting on 24 November 2022.

Appended is the email correspondence between elected members and staff that followed relating to the Gateway/Te Uruhi motion taken to the Strategy, Operations and Finance Committee.

There are no communications via SMS or further records held of verbal conversations.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Darren Edwards', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Darren Edwards
Chief Executive
Te Tumuaki Rangatira

Please refer to OIR 2223-454 for the attachment related to Te Uruhi.