

OIR: 2526/393

12 May 2026

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED],

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

Thank you for your email of **5 May 2026** requesting the following information:

**1. What herbicide or weed control products are currently used in public spaces?**

Please see Appendix 1 for the Chemical Shed Inventory as of 8 May 2025.

**2. Where are these products typically applied, and how frequently are these areas treated?**

Council applies herbicides throughout parks and reserves and other public spaces including road reserves and footpaths, sports fields, tracks and trails, and ecological restoration sites.

Frequency of application depends on the use case. For example, edges of tracks and trails are scheduled to be sprayed twice a year, in spring and autumn, but we may respond to specific service requests outside of these periods if required. Likewise, sports fields are sprayed for prickles twice a year, in spring and autumn, but the autumn spray only occurs at selected sites if required. Roadside pampas spraying occurs once per year, starting in autumn, and involves spraying pampas as they are found.

Spraying at ecological restoration sites occurs year round but depends on the presence of environmental weeds and their stage of growth. For example, blackberry is not sprayed over winter as it stops growing, but winter is the ideal time to spray climbing asparagus.

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**3. What policies or guidelines govern herbicide use in public spaces?**

Council follows the guidance laid out in Greater Wellington's 2023 Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region operative, as well as the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 (HSNO) and the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017.

**4. When was the current approach to herbicide use in public spaces last formally reviewed?**

As part of the development of Greater Wellington's 2023 Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region.

Ngā mihi,



**Brendan Owens**

Group Manager Customer and Community  
Kaiwhakahaere Rōpū - Kiritaki me te Hapori

## Appendix 1: Chemical Shed Inventory 8 May 2025

Number	Product
1	Acelepryn
2	Activated Amitrole
3	Adama Mavrik Aquaflo
4	Adira - Nuron
5	Assail
6	Banvine™ Herbicide
7	Barrack Betterstick
8	BASF Buster Herbicide
9	Been There Marker Dye
10	Bestseller 100EC
11	Confidor
12	Conqueror Oil
13	Copper Oxychloride Fungicide
14	Coronet
15	Cut'n'Paste Picloram Gel
16	Cut'n'Paste MetGel (herbicide gel)
17	Cylcone Premium Bleach
18	Cyrys
19	DIAZINON 20G
20	Dicamba 500
21	Ethoken 500SC
22	Excel Oil
23	Flock-Off
24	Foschek
25	Gallant Ultra
26	Guardian Carbendazim
27	Haloxyken 520 Herbicide
28	Inta-Ag Promanz Fungicide
29	Kantor Adjuvant
30	Kencozeb 750 WG Fungicide
31	KenZo NZ Flick 500 SC
32	Kiwicare LawnPro Protect Insecticide
33	Kleen-Away Organic Weed Strike
34	Knock Out 360
35	Liberty 200SL Herbicide
36	Lime Sulphur
37	Liquid Copper - YATES
38	MAGTOXIN (MAGFUME)
39	MCPA 750 - AKA: Make Perfect
40	NeemAzal
41	Nufarm - Image
42	Nufarm Conquest Herbicide

43	PESTOFF Rodent Pellets
44	PINDONE PELLETS for POSSUMS and RATS
45	Posterity Turf Fungicide
46	Qual-Pro Navigator
47	Rebuke 430 Fungicide
48	Resene Woodsman Wood Oil Stain
49	SAPROL
50	Shortstop 200SC
51	Silmaxx
52	Starane Xtra Herbicide
53	suSCon Green
54	Syngenta Fusilade Forte
55	Syngenta Primo Maxx
56	Tag G2
57	Terminate Herbicide
58	Thiram 40F
59	Topra
60	Turf Culture Azoxy 250SC Fungicide
61	Velista Turf Fungicide
62	Yates Copper Oxy Chloride
63	Yates Mavrik Insect & Mite Spray
64	Yield

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14 May 2026

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Tēnā koe [REDACTED],

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

Thank you for your email of **13 May 2026** requesting the following information:

***Thank you for your response to my LGOIMA request and for providing the Chemical Shed Inventory appendix.***

***I had a few brief follow-up questions for clarification:***

- 1. Could Council confirm whether the Chemical Shed Inventory dated 8 May 2025 remains current as of May 2026?***

Information provided under our previous response included a typographical error. The correct date for chemical shed inventory supplied should have read **8 May 2026**.

- 2. Are any glyphosate-based herbicides currently used in ecological restoration areas, tracks, trails, sports fields, or roadside spraying programmes? If so, are you able to advise which specific formulations or products are currently in use?***

Council typically use Glyphosate 360 in the above areas listed at a rate of 10ml/L.

- 3. Does Council operate under any internal SOPs, operational guidelines, spray drift procedures, notification procedures, or public signage requirements relating to herbicide application in public spaces?***

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Council operates under internally developed SOPs and Grow Safe best practice guidelines.

**4. Are contractors used for any herbicide application work undertaken on behalf of Council? If so, are contractors required to follow additional operational standards, reporting requirements, or certification processes?**

Yes. All contractors are required to be Sitewise accredited and operate under the rules set out under Greater Wellington's Natural Resources Plan.

SiteWise is a prequalification system that grades a contractor's health & safety capability and publishes that grade in a database that can be viewed by main contractor's and principal organisations.

Ngā mihi,



**Sean Mallon**

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Kaiwhakahaere Rōpū Anga me te Whakahaere Rawa