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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 **9 October 2025** in relation to heritage funding. You may have already received a response from our Team Leader, Environment & Ecological Services, Andy McKay, regarding part of your request.

You have requested the following information:

1. *The maximum grant for your heritage funding.*

For the Museum and Heritage Develop Fund a maximum grant is not specified. Grants are usually between \$4-10k, but as they can be multi-year the total grant can be much more than that. The actual amount disbursed in any given year also varies as it depends on how much has been committed in previous years.

2. *Whether you have any other funds/grants that could be used for historic heritage and if so, the maximum grant.*

The Heritage Fund is prioritised for environmental heritage but also considers grants for projects related to heritage listed sites and buildings. The maximum total grant allocated under the scheme is \$5,000 (excluding GST).

<https://www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/services/grants-and-funding/heritage-fund/>

We also have operational budget for maintenance of our Heritage Trail assets and for Council projects to support heritage initiatives such as recording oral histories. Our Libraries manage records and image collections and our Property team maintains our heritage listed buildings. (These operational funds are not available for granting).

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

3. Whether you have any other financial or regulatory incentives for historic heritage.

Rates remissions may be applied for land protected for natural, indigenous biodiversity or cultural conservation purposes. These are area based so aren't an easy fit for cultural conservation but would likely sit in the first bracket (Up to 1ha).

<https://www.kapiticoast.govt.nz/propertyhousingandrates/rates/paying-your-rates/help-with-your-rates/>

Rates remission bracket	Size of protected area/feature (ha)	Rates Remission (\$) 2023-24	Rates Remission (\$) 2024-25 with 24/25 LTP LGCI 2.9% adjustment
1	Up to 1 ha	\$ 143.00	\$ 147.00
2	1.001 – 5 ha	\$ 285.00	\$ 293.00
3	5.001 – 10 ha	\$ 430.00	\$ 442.00
4	10.001 – 20 ha	\$ 570.00	\$ 587.00
5	20.001 – 30 ha	\$ 713.00	\$ 734.00
6	30.001 – 40 ha	\$ 857.00	\$ 882.00
7	40.001 – 50 ha	\$ 999.00	\$ 1,028.00
8	50.001 – 70 ha	\$ 1,143.00	\$ 1,176.00
9	70.001 – 100 ha	\$ 1,229.00	\$ 1,265.00
10	More than 100 ha	\$ 1,432.00	\$ 1,474.00

4. Whether you have dedicated heritage staff and if so, how many.

Several staff have heritage in their portfolio: the Advisor Arts and Heritage, the Team Leader Environmental and Ecological Services, the Collections Lead (which includes the heritage collections), and the Heritage and Archives librarian (0.5 FTE only).

Ngā mihi,



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