OIR: 2627/172

30 October 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 **20 October 2026** requesting the following information:

This is a further effort to obtain details of who the individual team members involved in the revised Otaki swimming pool were/are and who they represented.

During the briefing to Council in May 2026, councillors requested that staff investigate potential enhancements to the facility's water spaces and recreational offering before the design was finalised.

This included;

1. revisiting the pool split concept
2. assessing options for a deep-water pool
3. and investigating the feasibility of a hydroslide

This report was presented to Council who made the decision to proceed. You can view the report to council in the 3 September Council agenda and the minutes from that meeting on our website.

Staff involved in preparing the report were

- GM Customer and Community
- Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors
- Aquatics
- Project Management Office
- Communications

External consultants were

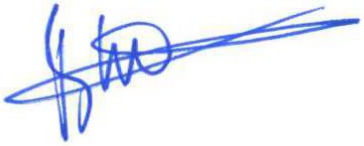
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- Beca Consulting
- HDT Architecture
- Other specialist consultants engaged as required

Engagement has been informally undertaken with representatives from the following groups

- Ōtaki Canoe Polo / Canoe Polo
- Titans Swimming Club
- Surf Lifesaving Club
- Ōtaki Waka Hoe
- Ōtaki Sports Club
- Kauora programme/community
- Te Puna Oranga o Ōtaki
- Te Kōhanga Reo o Raukawa
- Te Kura-ā-iwi o Whakaturanga Rua Mano
- Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Te Rito
- Learn to Swim families/community
- Haruātai Park user groups
- Ōtaki Pool users/customers
- Ōtaki LTP focus groups, including youth and community leaders

Ngā mihi,



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