

OIR: 2223/389

18 October 2022



Thank you for your email of 6 October 2022 requesting the following information:

1. The number of building consents issued annually over the past five calendar years by your BCA;

The council operates using a financial year for its reporting which means the information we are providing runs from 1 July through to 30 June of the following year.

Please note the numbers set out in the following table does not include any amended building consent applications that may apply to these consents.

The council has not provided this information as amended building consent applications are usually lodged once a consent has been granted meaning an amendment to the original consent can be lodged any time before the final inspection is completed which may be years after the original consent was lodged.

Providing this additional information will likely distort the annualised numbers you have requested.

Granted Building Consents

Year 2017- 2018	1,099
Year 2018- 2019	1,021
Year 2019- 2020	965
Year 2020- 2021	1145
Year 2021- 2022	1172

2. and, of these building consents how many, if any, resulted in a final building inspection being completed relevant to that consent

Unfortunately, the council is unable to provide this information as it will require analysis of each building consent. On that basis I must decline this part of your request as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research, section 17(f) of the LGOIMA refers.

If system restraints mean that you cannot provide an answer to part two of this request without charging a fee for hours worked, could you please provide the following as an alternative to part 2:

3. The number of final building inspections conducted annually over the past five years by your BCA and;

The council operates using a financial year for its reporting which means the information we are providing runs from 1 July through to 30 June of the following year.

Final Building Inspections

Year 2017- 2018	1469
Year 2018- 2019	1492
Year 2019- 2020	1270
Year 2020- 2021	1582
Year 2021- 2022	1302

4. The number of final building re-inspections conducted annually over the past five years by your BCA following the issuance of a notice to fix?

Unfortunately, the council is unable to provide this information as it will require analysis of each building consent. On that basis I must decline this part of your request as the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research, section 17(f) of the LGOIMA refers.

While the council is unable to provide this information, I can advise that anecdotally there were very few re-inspections conducted following issuing of a Notice to Fix (NTF). The reason being the council does not automatically issue a NTF if a final inspection has failed as we prefer in the first instance to work with the customer to resolve the outstanding matters rather than defaulting to this regulatory approach.

I hope I have answered your enquiry, otherwise you can contact Building Team Manager Steve Cody if you have further questions: Email: steve.cody@kapiticoast.govt.nz

You also 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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