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Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUESTS 2023

I refer to your official information request dated 9 January 2024.

This is reproduced here, with our responses below each part in **bold** type:

1. [How many requests for official information \(LGOIMA\) did the Council receive in the year 2023?](#)

254

2. [How many of them were handled within the statutory timeframe of 20 working days?](#)

224, within 20 working days.

16, within an extended statutory timeframe applied under s.14 Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA).

4, outside 20 working days where a statutory timeframe extension under s.14 was not applied. Of these, response times were:

- **21 working days**
- **27 working days**
- **28 working days**
- **29 working days**

10 requests received November/December 2023 have yet to be responded to. These have statutory deadlines of 17 January 2024 onwards ('working days' as defined by LGOIMA excludes the period 20 December to 10 January inclusive).

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3. Out of all responses to requests for official information in 2023, how many of them were made publicly available (e.g. on your website)?

Responses are published to the Nelson City Council website on a rolling basis – [link to LGOIMA Responses](#)

Responses January to April 2023 have been uploaded to this page.

4. How many of all the requests for official information in 2023 were refused on the grounds that these requests were "frivolous or vexatious or that the information requested is trivial" (see Section 17 (h) of Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987)?

4 – all relating to requests made by one individual on the same or similar subject matter.

5. Were the people informed that their requests for information were refused under Section 17 (h) LGOIMA?

Yes.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact LGOIMA@ncc.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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