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**Sent:** Monday, 21 June 2021 09:56  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** RESPONSE - LGOIMA 21198 - [REDACTED] - Information/statistics for Wintec Spatial Design Student

Kia Ora,

I refer to your **information request below**, Hamilton City Council is able to provide the following response.

#### Your Request

1. Hamilton's current city population
2. Hamilton City's boundaries, land area. Is it true we have the smallest city boundary of any city in NZ?
3. When we are next able to buy land to develop from surrounding councils
4. How many new build permits in suburbs HCC has over 2021 so far.
5. Whether HCC is seeing more applications for consent for repurposing CBD (Central City) buildings to multi-use developments - i.e. a mix of residential, retail, hospitality, professions/businesses. If so, are there any numbers/statistics I can access.

#### Our Response

1. Hamilton City's current population is 176,500.
2. The current Hamilton City Boundary is 11,093 Ha. Hamilton City has the smallest city boundary of an "urban" Territorial Authority.
3. At this time, HCC has not resolved to purchase any land from any adjoining Councils. However, through the review of our urban growth strategy, an action to strategically purchase land for community or related uses may be recommended.
4. Please see the table below which shows the total number of new Dwellings consented for 2021 (as at 15/06/2021) for Statistical Area 2 boundaries (suburbs).

Statistical Area 2 Name	New Residential Dwellings Granted
Bader	14
Beerescourt	16
Chartwell	2
Chedworth	5
Claudlands	6
Crawshaw	7
Deanwell	2
Dinsdale North	18
Dinsdale South	4
Enderley North	5
Enderley South	5
Fairfield	23

Fairview Downs	1
Fitzroy	24
Flagstaff East	20
Flagstaff North	47
Flagstaff South	33
Forest Lake	8
Frankton Junction	21
Glenview	22
Greensboro	38
Hamilton East	1
Hamilton East Cook	11
Hamilton East Village	5
Hamilton Lake	1
Hamilton West	15
Hillcrest West	3
Kahikatea	14
Kirikiroa	1
Maeroa	10
Melville South	0
Miropiko	13
Nawton East	9
Nawton West	1
Peachgrove	6
Peacockes	1
Porritt	5
Pukete West	4
Queenwood	12
Resthill	1
Riverlea	4
Rotokauri-Waiwhakareke	23
Rototuna Central	1
Rototuna North	124
Ruakura	78
Saint Andrews East	11
Saint Andrews West	5
Swarbrick	0
Te Manatu	31
Temple View	5
Whitiora	29
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>745</b>

5. Council has recently approved consent to convert the WSP Opus office building on Harwood Street into 22 apartments and ground level retail/hospitality tenancies, and consent to create visitor accommodation of 100 rooms from the Tower Building above Centre Place. However, we do not have sufficient data to suggest a trend towards repurposing buildings in the CBD.

Overall, we have seen an increase in resource consent applications received for developments in the central city. This includes a range of new office buildings, apartment buildings and ground level retail/hospitality premises. There are a number of buildings currently being constructed in the city, which include Union Square, Project Hauata, Waikato Regional Council and the Regional Theatre.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

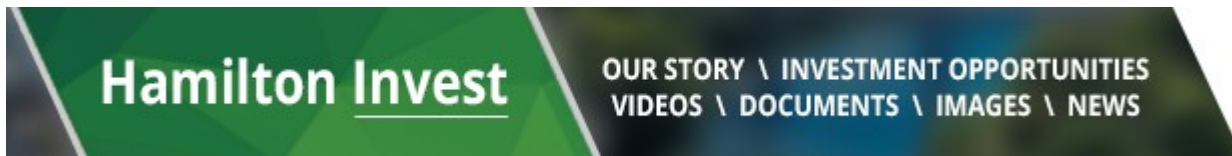
Kind Regards,

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**From:** "[REDACTED]" >  
**Sent:** Friday, 11 June 2021 11:57 AM  
**To:** "[info@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:info@hcc.govt.nz)" <[info@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:info@hcc.govt.nz)>  
**Subject:** Request for HCC information/statistics for Wintec Spatial Design Student

Ata mārie,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am looking for information/statistics for:

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I am a spatial design student who is writing a feature for the Waikato Independent and her feature writing class. The feature is titled Kirikiriroa Hamilton is growing up. I am investigating whether there is a changing perception of home ownership in Hamilton to alleviate loss of land from agriculture & industry for housing, and to make transport within Hamilton easier by developing multi use buildings in Hamilton's CBD. I have interviewed [REDACTED] of [REDACTED], a couple who have bought an apartment in Hill's Village and I am about to interview [REDACTED] up at the University of Waikato.

Please can you help me?

My email is [REDACTED]

My mobile phone is [REDACTED] if you have someone I can speak with.

Otherwise I'd be very happy if you could forward this information to me. I am on a time constraint of the end of Thursday next week 17 June so ideally would like to get this organised as soon as practicable.

Ngā mihi nui

[REDACTED]