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To: 7(2)(a) [REDACTED]
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Subject: Final Response - LGOIMA 293291 - 7(2)(a) [REDACTED] - Queries around Stuff Article re Waiwhakareke Heritage Park

Kia Ora,

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

Your request concerns the Stuff news article linked [here](#)

1. *It mentions that a goat at Waiwhakareke was dispatched. Does that mean killed?*

Yes

2. *If so how was it killed?*

The goat was shot.

3. *Was there any attempt to catch the goat and re-home it away from the park.*

Yes, however the goat preferred the more densely vegetated areas of Waiwhakareke where it was extremely difficult to trap him. Staff spent approximately four months trying to condition/train the goat to come into a shelter near Brymer Road with the intention of catching and relocating him. Staff were successful in getting the goat to come into that area routinely for a period of time but never into the shelter.

4. *If not why not?*

As above attempts were made to catch and relocate the goat.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Kind Regards,

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