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To: **Section 7 (2) (a)**
Cc: [Official Information](#)
Subject: Final response - LGOIMA 397462 - **Section 7 (2) (a)** - building consents granted in Natural Hazard Zones 1991 - 2023
Date: Tuesday, 4 June 2024 4:16:53 pm
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Kia ora,

We refer to your information request below. Hamilton City Council provides the following response.

Your request:

Proportion of Consents Granted in Hazard Areas

Please provide the following information for the years 1991 – 2023 (inclusive), or the years within that period for which such data is available:

- What proportion of the building consents for new dwellings granted by this local government authority this year were granted on land recognised under the current District Plan as subject to significant natural hazard risk?*

This could include, but is not limited to, land within the following areas:

- Flood plains*
- Flood prone areas*
- Evacuation zones*
- Areas of coastal inundation*
- Erosion zones.*

Please also provide a breakdown by individual risk type, e.g.

- % of BCs for new dwellings with high riverine flooding risk,*
- % of BCs for new dwellings with high coastal inundation risk,*
- % of BCs for new dwellings with high landslide risk,*

Should you require any further information to comply with this request please inform me as soon as possible.

Our response:

The following sets out the number of buildings consents for new dwellings for the years 2013-2024 which have been approved on sites which also have a hazard overlay as part of the Operative District Plan, and the total number of building consents for new dwellings approved for each year.

This information covers all of the hazard area overlays which are identified in the Hamilton City Operative District Plan; however, this does not necessarily mean that these are considered to be 'significant natural hazard risk'. Only the years 2013-2024 are provided as the Operative District Plan was notified in December 2012 which is when some of the Hazard overlays would have had legal effect.

Granted year	BC for new dwellings	Total Building Consents for new
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	in hazard areas	dwellings
2013	23	577
2014	44	469
2015	74	796
2016	53	808
2017	55	690
2018	54	815
2019	45	819
2020	43	750
2021	82	897
2022	76	605
2023	63	495
2024	11	144
Total	623	7,865

The information is also only able to provide the number of building consents on properties which also have a hazard overlay under the District Plan; however, it cannot confirm whether the building is actually located in the overlay area. We are not able to easily obtain the numbers of building consents where the building is located within the hazard overlay on the site, this would involve manually checking each of the building consents identified and cross referencing this with the hazard overlay area.

We would estimate this would take approximately 15min per consents which given the total number of consents identified is 623 this would take staff 155.75 hours. Even if we were to charge for this information the team would not have capacity to fulfil this request. Therefore we are refusing in accordance with s17(f) of LGOIMA – substantial collation.

If you have a specific consent / address that you would want this information on we can do upon request. Let us know by replying to this email.

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.

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From: Official Information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>

Sent: Monday, May 27, 2024 2:56 PM

To: Section 7 (2) (a)

Cc: Official Information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>

Subject: Decision to provide - LGOIMA 397462 - Joel Bishop - building consents granted in Natural Hazard Zones 1991 - 2023

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Our response:

Thank you for your request.

As per our requirement under Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), Hamilton City Council is formally advising you that we have decided to grant your request and will be responding to your request. However, we require some further time to allow us to gather approvals to release the information per our standard process.

We ask you to please bear with us as we complete your request. This information will be provided to you either on or before **4 June 2024**. Thank you for your patience with us.

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From: Section 7 (2) (a)

Sent: Monday, April 29, 2024 3:24 PM

To: Official Information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>

Subject: Official Information Request - BC Data

Hi there,

Please find attached a formal request for information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA).

Thanks, 