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Dear s 9(2)(a)

Official information request in relation to Plimmerton Farm Streamlined Planning Process

Thank you for your email of 21 February 2020 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Either confirmation that there has been no correspondence between MfE and PCC and /or GWRC between 12 December 2019 and 21 February 2020;

Or, a copy of all correspondence:

- received by MfE from Porirua City Council and / or Greater Wellington Regional Council, and

- sent by the MfE to Porirua City Council and / or Greater Wellington Regional Council in relation to this matter."

between 12 December 2019 and 21 February 2020.

The Ministry for the Environment has identified four documents in scope of your request, as listed in the attached table.

This request is a follow-up to your previous request made under the Act. The four documents identified in this response were previously considered out of scope as they are purely administrative in nature. These emails are being released to you now for completeness.

I confirm the Ministry holds no further correspondence between itself and Porirua City Council and/or Greater Wellington Regional Council on this matter.

Some information within these documents has been withheld under the following sections of the Act:

9(2)(a) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons .

In terms of section 9(1) of the Act, I am satisfied that, in the circumstances, the withholding of this information is not outweighed by other considerations that render it desirable to make the information available in the public interest.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision to withhold information relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Please note that due to the public interest in our work the Ministry for the Environment publishes responses to requests for official information on our [OIA responses page](#) shortly after the response has been sent. If you have any queries about this, please feel free to contact our Executive Relations team: ministerials@mfe.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

This response has been approved electronically by Katherine Wilson

Katherine Wilson
Director, Natural & Built System

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Document schedule

Document no.	Document date	Content	Decisions	OIA sections applied
1	12 December 2019	Email: Re: Plimmerton Farm-Council Meeting Update	Released in full	NA
2	17 December 2019	Email: RE: PCC contact for Plimmerton Farm	Released in part	S9(2)(a)
3	6 January 2020	Email: Eastern Porirua SPP Meeting	Released in full	NA
4	14 January 2020	Email: RE: Link to the Direction for the Rotorua SPP	Released in full	NA

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From: [Mary Barton](#)
To: [Sarah McCarthy](#)
Subject: Re: Plimmerton Farm - Council Meeting Update
Date: Thursday, 12 December 2019 4:09:59 pm

Thanks Sarah

Sent from my iPhone

On 12/12/2019, at 3:35 PM, Sarah McCarthy
<Sarah.McCarthy@mfe.govt.nz> wrote:

Hi Mary

Thanks for this update.

Unfortunately I don't have anything to update you on. Minister Parker is in the office and will be until later next week, although is very busy at the moment. I'll let you know when we hear anything.

Kind regards
Sarah

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From: [Andrew Cumming](#)
To: [Sarah McCarthy](#)
Subject: RE: PCC contact for Plimmerton Farm
Date: Thursday, 19 December 2019 5:47:16 pm
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hi Sarah

Ok, thanks for confirming.

Cheers
Drew

From: Sarah McCarthy <Sarah.McCarthy@mfe.govt.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 19 December 2019 11:51 AM
To: Andrew Cumming <Andrew.Cumming@porirua.govt.nz>
Cc: Abbie Bull <Abbie.Bull@mfe.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: PCC contact for Plimmerton Farm

Hi Andrew

We don't have any concerns or grounds for PCC to withhold this information.

Thanks
Sarah

From: Andrew Cumming <Andrew.Cumming@porirua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 17 December 2019 4:52 PM
To: Sarah McCarthy <Sarah.McCarthy@mfe.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: PCC contact for Plimmerton Farm

Hi Sarah

Just letting you know that PCC has received a couple of official information requests for copies of the SPP application to MfE. If you have any concerns or grounds for not releasing the information, please let me know, otherwise Council will make it available.

Regards
Drew

From: Sarah McCarthy <Sarah.McCarthy@mfe.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 17 December 2019 9:21 AM
To: Mary Barton <Mary.Barton@porirua.govt.nz>
Cc: Andrew Cumming <Andrew.Cumming@porirua.govt.nz>
Subject: RE: PCC contact for Plimmerton Farm

Hi Mary

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Kind regards
Sarah

From: Mary Barton <Mary.Barton@porirua.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 17 December 2019 8:03 AM
To: Sarah McCarthy <Sarah.McCarthy@mfe.govt.nz>
Cc: Andrew Cumming <Andrew.Cumming@porirua.govt.nz>
Subject: PCC contact for Plimmerton Farm

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Hi Sarah,

Just letting you know that Drew will be the main contact for Plimmerton Farm going forward.

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Nga mihi,

Mary

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From: [Sarah McCarthy](#)
To: [Abbie Bull](#); Stewart.McKenzie@porirua.govt.nz; [Claire Gregory](#)
Bcc: [Meetingroom EH 2B](#)
Subject: Eastern Porirua SPP meeting
Date: Monday, 6 January 2020 12:30:49 pm

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From: [Andrew Cumming](#)
To: [Sarah McCarthy](#)
Subject: RE: Link to the Direction for the Rotorua SPP
Date: Tuesday, 14 January 2020 5:12:51 pm

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Hi Sarah

Thanks, looks fairly familiar.

Cheers
Drew

From: Sarah McCarthy <Sarah.McCarthy@mfe.govt.nz>
Sent: Tuesday, 14 January 2020 3:17 PM
To: Karen Williams <KWilliams@propertygroup.co.nz>; Stewart McKenzie <Stewart.McKenzie@poriruacity.govt.nz>; Andrew Cumming <Andrew.Cumming@poriruacity.govt.nz>
Subject: Link to the Direction for the Rotorua SPP

Hi All

Here is the link to the gazette notice:
<https://gazette.govt.nz/notice/id/2020-g0106>

Kind regards
Sarah

Sarah McCarthy – Senior Analyst, National Direction – Hub

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