

Kylie Flood

From: Administration Requests
Sent: Thursday, 6 June 2019 2:54 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Administration Requests
Subject: FW: Official Information request

Hi Marie

Thank you for your official information request regarding gun clubs and firing ranges in Kaipara.

We are aware of two Clubs. The Northern Wairoa Gun Club is an outdoor facility and the Dargaville Pistol Club is an indoor facility. They are both located in the Dargaville area.

The Northern Wairoa Club has a vintage consent from 1979 or 1980 which was likely granted under the old Town and Country Planning Act.

The Dargaville Pistol Club does not require consent as its location is commercial zoned with ample parking available. They operate outside normal 9.00 to 5.00 hours so parking and traffic has not been an issue. Should it become an issue Council would investigate.

Activities involving gun use do not feature in our Kaipara District Plan so both Clubs need to comply with Police licensing which includes gun safe regulations.

If a new gun club/firing range were to be proposed they would need to comply with our district plan rules on traffic intensity, parking, noise, lighting and glare and maybe other rules dependent on proposed location. There will be other safety and security requirements which are likely dealt with under Police and WorkSafe jurisdiction.

I trust this helps.

Regards Linda



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From: Council
Sent: Monday, 13 May 2019 9:30 AM
To: Administration Requests <administrationrequests@kaipara.govt.nz>
Subject: FW: Official Information request

Tēnā koe Linda

This LGOIMA request has been received in the Council inbox and forwarded to you for action and reply. Customer has been advised response is due 7 June 2019.

Kind regards

Customer Services



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-----Original Message-----

From: Marie Russell [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 3:03:18 PM
To: Council
Subject: Official Information request

Dear Madam/Sir,

My request is about firing or shooting ranges in your Council area.

Could you please let me know:

1. How many firing ranges in your Council area have both indoor and outdoor facilities? **None**
2. How many solely indoor firing ranges are there in your Council area? **One**
3. How many solely outdoor firing ranges are there in your Council area? **One**
4. How often are the firing ranges inspected by Council officers and/or Police? **Inspections not required by Council unless they were breaching district plan rules**
5. What is your Council's regime for assessing shooters' and range officers' exposure to lead at the firing ranges? **No involvement this is a Police matter**
6. Does your Council require measures at firing ranges to mitigate the effects of lead exposure? What are these measures and how are they reported by the range and enforced by the Council?
7. What is the protocol for Council inspection of firing ranges, for example, is there a checklist or similar, used by the Council officers to assess the firing range? If so, could you please supply a copy?
8. Could you please supply copies of all reports relating to firearms and firing ranges written by or received by the Council over the last three years?

Thank you.

Regards

Marie

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