

Reference Number: 2023/1030

9 January 2024

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Thank you for email of 30 November 2023 requesting under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), information costs relating to the Foxton Memorial Hall. Please see outlined below a response to each part of your request.

What is the annual total revenue for the Foxton Memorial Hall vs the Levin War Memorial and Shannon Memorial Hall?

For the financial year 2022/23, the annual total revenue for the Foxton Memorial Hall was \$4,759, Shannon Memorial hall was \$1,305, and Levin Memorial Hall was \$38,697.

What is annual total bookings for the Foxton Memorial Hall vs the Levin War Memorial and Shannon Memorial Hall?

For the financial year 2022/23, the annual total bookings for Foxton Memorial Hall was 23, Shannon Memorial Hall was 9, and the Levin Memorial Hall was 233.

What is the annual operating cost for the Foxton Memorial Hall vs the Levin War Memorial and Shannon Memorial Hall?

For the financial year 2022/23, the annual operating cost for the Foxton Memorial Hall was \$27,961, Shannon Memorial Hall was \$16,215, and the Levin Memorial Hall was \$ 38,599.

Who are the potential buyers of the Memorial Hall who have put forth their proposals?

Horowhenua District Council is not at liberty to release this information due to it being commercially sensitive nature, and given the fact that Council is still working through the process of potential sale. As such, it is necessary to withhold this information for the following reasons:

- S7(2)(h) enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities
- S7(2)(i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations)

What is the break even amount for the Foxton Memorial Hall?

Assessment of a break-even amount, or a neutral financial impact is something that would be subject to a range of variables about what would or wouldn't be included in any calculation to determine that. Therefore, this question cannot be answered due to the subjective nature of the query.

How much will it cost for the earthquake strengthening?

An Initial Earthquake Procedure (IEP) was undertaken for this building in 2013. However, no detailed assessment has been carried out to date, nor any upgrade plan for the building, which would include earthquake strengthening options and costs. Therefore, the earthquake strengthening costs at this point are unknown, and yet to be determined.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Horowhenua District Council publishes responses to Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) requests that we consider to be of wider public interest, or which relate to a subject that has been widely requested. To protect your privacy, we will not generally publish personal information about you, or information that identifies you. We will publish the LGOIMA response along with a summary of the request on our website. Requests and responses may be paraphrased.

If you would like to discuss this decision or any of the information provided as part of this request, please contact Brent Harvey (Group Manager Community Experience and Services) on brenth@horowhenua.govt.nz.

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