## Absolutely Positively **Wellington** City Council

Me Heke Ki Pōneke

File ref: IRC-3350

24 May 2022



## Clamping signage located on Victoria Street

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), received on 14 May 2022. You requested the following information:

- Is the Council aware of anyone being clamped in this location?
- Has the Wellington City Council authorised the clamping of vehicles in this location, being land that has been vested to the Council for road?
- Has the Wellington City Council granted exclusive possession of this piece of road to anyone, and if so, what are the terms of that agreement?
- Has the Wellington City Council authorised the \$500 release clamp release fee, through the exception to the \$100 limit, described at section 98D of the Land Transport Act 1998?
- If the answer to question 4 is 'no', what will the Wellington City Council do in response to this unlawful activity on land that they are responsible for?

I have been in touch with the Councils Transport and Infrastructure team regarding this matter and I can confirm the works undertaken here on Victoria Street has been approved by the Council by way of an approved Traffic Management Plan (TMP) and Road User License (RUL).

On investigation, the clamping signage mentioned in your correspondence was not part of the approved TMP or RUL. In response to your correspondence a Council Officer was on site on 18 May 2022 and discussions were held with the site supervisor who apologised profusely for using these signs and any inconvenience caused.

I understand these signs, of which there were two, have been removed. I can confirm that no vehicles were clamped. The site supervisor has been reminded of what correct signage can be used, as per their approved TMP/RUL, and to work with the Councils Parking Services team if they are experiencing members of the public using the parking spaces that align with the approved TMP and RUL.

## Right of review

If you are not satisfied with the Council's response, you may request the Office of the Ombudsman to investigate the Council's decision. Further information is available on the Ombudsman website, <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>.

Please note, we may proactively release our response to your request with your personal information removed.

Thank you for bringing this to our attention and giving us an opportunity to investigate further,

Kind regards

Ollie Marchant

**Official Information**