

17 November 2021

Kia ora Tom

### **Correspondence relating to slip at Oriental Parade**

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), received on 21 September, and extended on 18 October 2021. You requested the following information:

- All correspondence and documentation held by the council relating to this slip at Oriental Bay.
- Please include in this all correspondence between the council and Wayne Coffey, or agents for him.

On 15 October we discussed that the scope of this includes external correspondence and documentation only. I have also excluded correspondence relating to administrative matters such as setting up meeting times, confirming contact details, and individuals requesting documents under LGOIMA. Thank you for your patience while we took the time to consult with external parties on the release of their information.

The slip at this location remains a complex matter involving multiple property owners and insurers that is currently being considered collectively by EQC and insurers. As such while this is under consideration, we are limited in what can be released to you to at this stage to allow for fair process. Consideration has also been made in protecting the privacy of the individuals involved as this is a matter on private property.

Communication between ENGEO and WCC were to help form a better understanding of specific aspects prior to formalising them in a memo or letter. They don't reflect the final agreed conclusions and as such are being withheld for the time being.

Below are the documents that fall in scope of your request and my decision to release the document. Released documents can be found [at this Dropbox link](#).

<b>Item</b>	<b>Document name/description</b>	<b>Decision</b>
<b>1</b>	Emails (03 May 2021) from engineer Ian Brown to WCC regarding monitoring survey <b>Note:</b> the attachment is document 30	Release in part
<b>2</b>	Email (23 July 2021) from engineer Ian Brown to WCC regarding Coffey report. <b>Note:</b> includes photograph attachments	Release in part

3	Email (3 June 2021) from Melling Architects Geotechnical report from Coffey geotechnical Engineers	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
4	Notice of Earthworks undertaken without Resource Consent (28 August 2020)	Release in part
5 & 6	Abatement Notices (28 August 2020) for numbers 190 and 188 Oriental Parade	Release in part
7	Notice of Earthworks undertaken without Resource Consent (28 August 2020)	Release in part
8	ENGEO Site Memorandum 30 July 2021	Release in full
9	Emails (20 September 2021) between WCC and owner of 192 Oriental Parade regarding work on property	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
10	Emails (August 2020) between engineer and WCC regarding possible issue with slope	Release in part
11	Emails (31 August 2020) between WCC and Melling Architects regarding 188 and 190 Oriental Parade	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
12	Dangerous Building Notice for 194 Oriental Parade	Release in part
13	ENGEO Site Memorandum 17 December 2020	Release in full
14	Emails (30 August 2021) between WCC and lawyer for 07 Oriental Terrace asking for extension due to COVID-19 lockdown	Release in part
15	Emails (August 2020 – October 2020) from Melling Architects to WCC follow up to notice of Earthworks being Undertaken Without Consent	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
16	Email (October 2020) email between Melling Architect and WCC regarding earthworks at 188/190 Oriental Parade	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
17	Emails (December 2020) between WCC and Melling Architect regarding 188 Oriental Parade	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
18	Emails (October 2020) between WCC and Melling Architect regarding 188 Oriental Parade	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
19	Emails (31 May 2021) between WCC and engineer regarding survey monitoring	Release in part
20	Email (23 July 2021) from WCC to owner of 192 Oriental Parade	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
21	Email (16 August 2021) from WCC to Engineering Geologist advising of ENGEO review	Release in part
22	Letter from lawyers for 188 and 190 Oriental Parade regarding investigation into stability issues and requesting information under LGOIMA. <b>Note:</b> some administrative matters have been deemed outside of scope and not included.	Release in part
23	Email (26 January 2021) between engineer and WCC regarding survey markers	Release in part
24	Email (05 October 2020) from WCC to engineer advising the engagement of a geotechnical engineer	Release in part
25	Email (10 August 2021) to WCC from tenant at 192 Oriental Parade advising of further slip	Release in part

<b>26</b>	Email (8 December 2020) between WCC and engineer regarding RMA	Release in part
<b>27</b>	Email (1 February 2021) from Engineering Geologist to owner of 5a Oriental Terrace regarding monitoring points	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
<b>28</b>	Email (13 August 2021) between ENGEO and WCC regarding Geotech Assessment of 188-190 Oriental Parade	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
<b>29</b>	Email (10 August 2020) between WCC and engineer regarding ENGEO report date	Release in part
<b>30</b>	Spencer Homes monitoring report for 5, 5a and 7 Oriental Terrace	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i).
<b>31</b>	Meeting notes for meeting held between Matthew Borich, John Davies, Ben Brown (WCC), Wayne Coffey, Jessica Ringrose and Dave Melling (external parties)	Withheld under section 7(2)(a) and 7(2)(c)(i)

Contact details have been withheld in information released to you in accordance with section 7(2)(a) of the Act.

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 7(1) of the Act.

#### **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, [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz).

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

Thank you again for your request, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

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