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To: hannah@fsu.nz
Subject: CM: Response to Request for information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987
Date: Tuesday, 17 September 2024 4:55:00 pm
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Kia ora

I refer to your official information request dated 2 September 2024, seeking information on policies and guidelines for the use of Tararua District Council facilities.

Our Booking Application form for Community Buildings outlines the T&C's including cancellation rules. A copy is attached for your information.

Refusals have been issued where outstanding accounts have not been addressed by the organisation or individual. Most recently we refused a booking request for our Dannevirke Sports Centre made by an individual requesting we charge the local iwi, where the individual did not have permission to make bookings on behalf of the iwi organisation.

Ngā mihi



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A promotional banner with an orange background and a green and white arrow pointing right. The text "TOLL FREE Tararua" is prominently displayed in white and green. Below the arrow, it says "HAVE YOUR SAY TODAY!" and provides the URL "nzta.govt.nz/te-ahu-a-turanga-tolling-consultation". The Tararua District Council logo is in the bottom right corner.

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From: Hannah Clow <hannah@fsu.nz>

Sent: Monday, September 2, 2024 11:01 AM

To: Info - Tararua District Council <Info@TararuaDC.Govt.NZ>

Subject: Free Speech Union - Request for information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

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Good morning,

The Free Speech Union (FSU) is a registered trade union with a mission to fight for, protect, and expand New Zealanders' rights to freedom of speech, conscience, and intellectual inquiry. We believe that freedom of speech is not only a legal principle but a social good that allows for people in modern liberal democracies to peacefully and freely advocate for the causes they care about without risking unjust retribution.

This email is a request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987. We request:

- a. All policies, guidelines, regulations, or statements relating to the use or hire of any property, spaces, or venues owned by the Tararua District Council.
- b. Any information (including communications) relating to the cancellation or refusal to allow any person, group, or organisation to use or hire any property, spaces, or venues owned by the Tararua District Council in the last two years.

Where communications have been requested, that request includes but is not limited to documents, emails, recordings, faxes, memos, minutes, meeting notes, reports, correspondence, agendas, policy documents, external adviser, researcher, and other contractor communication and invoices, including all those in electronic form.

We expect the answers to be straightforward and seek this information as soon as possible. Please let us have the information as it becomes available (i.e. do not delay your reply to our requests until it is all available). If you expect to charge for assembling it, please advise of the charges for each component as you become aware of what it is likely to be.

We do not wish to be an unnecessary burden on you or your staff. If you need clarification on any of these requests, please call or email us. Likewise, if a request proves burdensome, please give us an opportunity to adjust it to be more specific or suited to your information systems.

Kind regards,

Hannah Clow

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