



20 June 2019

Via email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Response to official information request for Council strategy for managing the wilding pines that are growing on Council land in the corridor between State Highway One and the residential houses in Aotea

I refer to your request for official information received 10 May 2019 relating to a Council strategy for managing the wilding pines that are growing on Council land in the corridor between State Highway One and the residential houses in Aotea. We have processed your request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987. As communicated separately to you on 18 June 2019, we extended the timeframe for responding, as your original request was unfortunately overlooked by the individual staff member you emailed.

The information you requested is as follows. We are aware of the issues with wilding pines and other invasive or unwanted trees growing around the city. We actively plan to control these in our revegetation areas and we manage other areas around the city reactively.

We are currently investigating the removal of the wilding pines from Omaka Place, along the escarpment heading north to Sue Dow Lane. We have yet to request the quotes for the work but we are planning work to remove wilding pines through the next financial year, preferable in the summer months.

The area from Sue Dow Lane, north to Adrenalin Forest will be targeted the following year.

If you wish to discuss this information with us, please feel free to contact [REDACTED]

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