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Dear [REDACTED]

### Response to official information request for Mayor and Chief Executive's fuel card use

I refer to your three requests for official information received 3<sup>rd</sup> January and 13 January 2020 relating to Mayoral and Chief Executive fuel card use. We have processed your request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987.

The information you requested is enclosed.

I have chosen to respond to them collectively as the themes are consistent.

Firstly, I want to point out that I have offered to meet with you to explain how the process and basis for use of both the Mayor's and Chief Executive's car operates - it is standard for most Councils – but you have declined the offer. You continue to ask specific questions monthly, so again I offer to you the opportunity to meet and discuss your concerns.

You are now asking monthly for details of expenses and fuel usage for both the Mayor and Chief Executive. We will continue to provide these if asked. With regards to the fuel usage, we have expanded the fields of information we are providing to help you understand why on rare occasions a car is refuelled within a relatively short time frame. From December we will also include speedometer readings at each fill up.

Below are the usage details for November that we gave you previously (OIA 19-175), this time we have added the location of the fill up, so you can see why the fuel card was used within a few days. We consider these transactions are reasonable.

#### November 2019 Data

Transaction date	Location Name	Location Suburb	Product	Litres	Driver Name	Vehicle Description
3/11/2019	BP Connect Roadmaster	Wellington	NZ Unleaded	44.93	Wendy Walker	Honda CRV
14/11/19	BP Connect Porirua	Porirua	NZ Unleaded	44.84	Wendy Walker	Honda CRV
16/11/2019	BP Connect Geyser	Rotorua	NZ Unleaded	43.09	Wendy Walker	Honda CRV
19/11/2019	BP Connect Roadmaster	Wellington	NZ Unleaded	45.81	Wendy Walker	Honda CRV
28/11/2019	BP Connect Porirua	Porirua	NZ Unleaded	44.53	Wendy Walker	Honda CRV
15/11/2019	BP Connect Whitby	Porirua	NZ Unleaded	53.00	Anita Baker	Mitsubishi ASX
28/11/2019	BP Connect Mana	Porirua	NZ Unleaded	50.61	Anita Baker	Mitsubishi ASX

The Council's Operations Manager manages the vehicle fleet and monitors the fuel usage on all vehicles – including the Mayor, Chief Executive and CFO who have vehicles associated with their salary packages. The manager reviews irregularities and escalates as appropriate. This has only occurred regarding the previous Mayor's term. By default, the Porirua City Council considers the transactions as normal and within the agreed terms and conditions of use.

The Mayor is not required to maintain a log book or specifically record private mileage. Therefore, we are unable to provide you the details you have asked.

You have asked for the make and model of vehicle provided to the Mayor. It is a Mitsubishi ASX.

You have also asked for a monthly summary of the total kilometres travelled by the Mayor for October – December. We do not record the information you have requested. However, by providing the fuel information with the mileage at each fill up going forward you should be able to determine approximately what you are after. I can advise that the mileage on the Mayor's vehicle is 2731kms as at 14 January 2020.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Roy Baker, [roy.baker@porirua.govt.nz](mailto:roy.baker@porirua.govt.nz), DDI 04 2371417.

Ngā mihi



Wendy Walker  
**Chief Executive**  
**Kaiwhakahaere Matua**