Michelle van Straalen

From: Michelle van Straalen

Sent: Wednesday, 13 May 2020 14:38

To:

Cc: official information **Subject:** LGOIMA 20078 - Plastics

Attachments: OIA Request from Local Council Plastics 1-7s.docx

Kia ora,

Further to your information request on 21 April 2020 in regard to a plastic recycling in New Zealand, I am now able to provide Hamilton City Council's response.

You requested:

More specifically, you have requested the following information for one year, 2019 - 2020:

- 1. Quantities of household plastic waste to landfills within your jurisdiction
 - a. categorised by type 1 & 2s and 3-7s.
 - b. what landfill in your jurisdiction are the plastics being disposed to?
- 2. The quantities of any known storage/plastic mountains, within your jurisdiction.

Our response:

- 1. Quantities of household plastic waste to landfills within your jurisdiction for one-year, 2019 2020.
- a) categorised by type 1 & 2s and 3-7s.

Hamilton City Council currently undertakes a kerbside recycling collection of plastics types 1 and 2. In the 2019 calendar year, 1028.76 tonnes of plastics type 1 and 2 were recycled from the municipal collection. Plastics types 3 to 7 are currently not collected at the kerbside as part of the municipal collection, although this will change in the second half of 2020 with the new kerbside service.

Any plastic that is not collected or separated for recycling is sent to landfill as part of the municipal kerbside rubbish collection and is included in consolidated waste and is not measured separately. Therefore, we are unable to provide you with a specific quantity of plastics 1 and 2 or plastics 3 to 7 sent to landfill during the 2019- calendar year. However, we would like to draw your attention to our most recent Waste Assessment which contains information on the average kerbside rubbish composition within Hamilton City (p.89).

https://haveyoursay.hamilton.govt.nz/strategyresearch/wasteplan/supporting_documents/2017%20HCC%20Waste %20Assessment.pdf.

b) what landfill in your jurisdiction are the plastics being disposed to?

All municipal waste currently goes to the Tirohia Landfill, however, with the change to contractors for the new kerbside service, this will change to the Hampton Downs Landfill in the second half of 2020.

2. The quantities of any known storage/plastic mountains, within your jurisdiction.

Hamilton City Council is not aware of any plastic storage/plastic mountains within Council's municipal boundaries.

Kind regards,

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From: Michelle van Straalen

Sent: Tuesday, 21 April 2020 4:59 PM

To: '

Subject: HPE CM: LGOIMA 20078 - Plastics

Kia ora

I write to acknowledge your information request of 21 April 2020 in respect of *Plastics* which will be processed in accordance with Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please be advised your request has been referred to the relevant team within Council. We will endeavour to respond as soon as practicable and in any event no later than 20 May 2020, being 20 working days after the day we received your request.

Feel free to contact me in the meantime if you have any queries regarding the progress of your request.

Kind regards,

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