

9 December 2025

Local Government Official Information Request

Thank you for your request for information from Council. All requests to the Council for information are required to be considered in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). More information about how the Council handles LGOIMA requests can be found in the Council's LGOIMA Request Policy which is available on the Council's website [LGOIMA Request Policy: Rangitikei District Council](#).

Your request for information was received on 27 November 2025 and requested information about cooling towers. Your questions (copied verbatim) and our response can be found below:

Question 1:

"I am requesting the following information: A list of all cooling towers within your jurisdiction that are currently registered and subject to testing requirements under relevant bylaws or regulations. For each cooling tower, please provide: ýýý Location (address or general area) ýýý Type of cooling tower ýýý Compliance status (including last test date and next scheduled test, if available) ýýý Details of Legionella testing results ýýý Any issues of non-compliance identified ýýý Any cleaning or disinfection notifications issued Please note that under LGOIMA, a response is required within 20 working days of receipt of this request. If any part of this information is withheld, please specify the grounds for refusal under the Act. I am happy to receive the information in electronic format (Excel or PDF). If there are any charges for supplying this information, please advise in advance."

Response:

Rangitikei District Council does not have records of any cooling towers within its jurisdiction (meaning within the Rangitikei District) that are currently registered and subject to testing requirements under relevant bylaws or regulations. For this reason, we are unable to respond to your request under Section 17(e) of the LGOIMA (the information requested does not exist). We have also considered Section 17(g) of the LGOIMA in terms of whether the information you have requested may be held by another agency. Because we are not aware of any cooling towers within the Rangitikei District, we don't believe transferring your information request to another agency is an option.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests, where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly at [RDC Official Information - Proactive Release](#) with your personal information removed.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to email lgoima@rangitikei.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely,

LGOIMA Officer
Rangitikei District Council

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