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Subject: Response re changing room provisions in Council owned swimming pool facilities
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I refer to your official information request dated 10 December 2025 for information about changing rooms at Council's swimming pool facilities.

The Tararua District Council owns three outdoor swimming pool facilities in the Tararua District, located in Eketāhuna, Pahiatua and Woodville. These are managed by local community groups, who contribute many volunteer hours to their operation.

Our responses to your questions are outlined below:

1. Do you provide communal single-sex changing and showering facilities? **Yes – male and female facilities provided.**
2. Do you provide single occupancy changing and showering facilities? If so, how many at each site? **No.**
3. Please provide any policies or procedures that apply to trans-identified people who wish to use the changing and showering facilities in your sites. **N/A**
4. How are your different changing and showering facilities labelled and described? **N/A**
5. At your sites, which changing room and showering facilities is a trans-identified male permitted to use? **N/A**
6. If applicable, do your facilities allow trans-identifying males to attend Women Only swim sessions. **N/A - all swim lessons are by age, not gender.**

Ngā mihi

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From: Allie Dunn
Sent: Wednesday, 10 December 2025 2:12 pm
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Subject: Acknowledgement: LGOIMA Request - changing room provisions in Council owned swimming pool facilities

Kia ora

This email is to acknowledge receipt of your request for information, regarding changing room provisions in Council owned swimming pools.

We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible and in any event no later than 29 January 2026, being 20 working days after the day your request was received. If we are unable to respond to your request by then, we will notify you of an extension of that timeframe.

As part of our commitment to openness and accountability, we are now proactively publishing copies of requests for information and the responses provided to these requests, on our website. In doing so, we will ensure we comply with the provisions of the Privacy Act 2020 and redact any personal / identifying information from any response published.

If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to get in contact with me.

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LGOIMA Request - changing room provisions in Council owned swimming pool facilities.

Kia ora,

Please provide the following information regarding provision for single-sex and gender neutral changing and showering facilities in any swimming pool or fitness centre sites that are owned and / or operated by your Council.

- 1. Do you provide communal single-sex changing and showering facilities?***
- 2. Do you provide single occupancy changing and showering facilities? If so, how many at each site?***
- 3. Please provide any policies or procedures that apply to trans-identified people who wish to use the changing and showering facilities in your sites.***
- 4. How are your different changing and showering facilities labelled and described?***
- 5. At your sites, which changing room and showering facilities is a trans-identified male permitted to use?***
- 6. If applicable, do your facilities allow trans-identifying males to attend Women Only swim sessions.***

If there are any issues relating to substantial collation and research, we are happy to work with you to modify the scope of our request. Don't hesitate to contact us.

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About Speak Up for Women

Our mission is to advocate for the sex-based rights of women and girls, with a primary focus of bringing attention to the eroding of women's and girls' rights and language.

Our vision is for women and girls to maintain sex-based services, spaces and opportunities in New Zealand

We base our principles on the right, in law and public policy, of adult human females to name, organise and speak for ourselves. Our supporters include young women, mothers and grandmothers, lesbians and heterosexuals, and women working in a wide range of occupations. We also have many male supporters including fathers, brothers and grandfathers. The organisation is run entirely by volunteers and receives no public funds or funds from external organisations. We are not affiliated to any political party or religious organisation.

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