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Ate m̄arie [REDACTED]

I refer to your official information request dated 1 July 2025 regarding EV Bus Cost on Road.

The information you have requested is set out below:

We are not aware of any EV buses operating on the Tararua District Council network, as we have no public transport.

We are not aware of the predominant bus company (Go Bus) having any new buses.

As it had not been a “topic needing discussion”, no advice has been provided to the elected, nor any advice sort.

It is our understanding that any buses need to fall into the legal weight limits, which cover axle weights (the specific loading of the tyres on the road surface). Information on axle loadings can be found here: <https://www.nzta.govt.nz/vehicles/vehicle-types/vehicle-classes-and-standards/vehicle-dimensions-and-mass/>

You have the right to seek 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.

Ngā mihi,



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From: Simone Anthony
Sent: Wednesday, 2 July 2025 9:07 am
To: [REDACTED]
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Kia ora

This email is to acknowledge receipt of your request for information, regarding EV Bus Cost on Road.

We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible and in any event no later than 29 July 2025, 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. Ngā mihi,



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, 1 July 2025 4:50 pm
Subject: EV Bus Cost on Road

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Kia ora,

Could you please provide the following information.

What advice has the Council had and provided to members on the costs and impacts on local roads associated with the increased weight of electric and EV buses, particularly with the government mandates for full fleet electrification.

Cheers,

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