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Kia ora

I am writing in response to your official information request dated 1 May 2026 regarding Transferable Development Rights in the Tararua District.

Our existing District Plan, which came into effect on 19 August 2019, does not have provision for Transferable Development Rights. In our recent full District Plan Review, which was stopped under the Government Plan Stop, Transferable Development Rights had not been discussed.

We are unsure whether Transferable Development Rights were discussed in past district plan reviews.

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

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From: Allie Dunn

Sent: Friday, 1 May 2026 2:14 pm

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: CM: Acknowledgement of LGOIMA request re Transferable Development Rights

Kia ora

This email is to acknowledge receipt of your request for information, regarding Transferable

Development Rights.

We will endeavour to respond to your request as soon as possible and in any event no later than 29 May 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.

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

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, 1 May 2026 1:56 pm

To: Hayley Pocock <Hayley.Pocock@Tararua.govt.nz>

Subject: Re: Test

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Kia ora Hayley,

Thank you so much for helping me with this. Below is my LGOIMA request:

I am a student from Lincoln University, seeking information for my Master of Planning final year dissertation pertaining to the use and effectiveness of Transferable Development Rights in New Zealand.

For the purpose of this request, “Transferable Development Rights” (TDRs) refers to a planning mechanism that enables development rights (such as density, subdivision potential, or floor area) to be transferred from one site (often referred to as a “sending site”, typically subject to protection or constraint) to another site (“receiving site”) where additional development is enabled.

From my research, TDRs in New Zealand are primarily implemented for subdivision in countryside living or rural zones.

Please supply the following information under the **Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA)**:

1. Does your Council currently provide for TDRs in its operative or proposed District Plan (or any other statutory planning instrument)?

2. If yes (in response to 1.):

A. How and why are TDRs implemented (e.g. rural subdivision, heritage protection, outstanding natural landscapes, ecological areas, hazard areas, or urban intensification)?

2. Please provide an example of the relevant District / Unitary Plan provisions (objectives, policies, rules, and assessment criteria).

3. Has Council undertaken any monitoring or evaluation of the effectiveness of TDR provisions? If so, please provide any monitoring reports or internal assessments.

3. If no (in response to 1.):

A. Has Council considered using TDRs in the past (e.g. through plan reviews or policy discussions)? or

B. Please provide any reports, business cases, or internal analysis evaluating the use of TDRs.

If any part of this request is likely to be refused under LGOIMA (for example under section 17(f)), I am happy to refine the scope to reduce the burden of collation.

If you require any clarification, please contact me as soon as possible.

I understand that a decision on this request must be made within 20 working days of being received.

Kind regards,



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Sent: Friday, 1 May 2026 13:53

To: [REDACTED]

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