RURAL CITY LIVING



Building Consent Approvals Ltd LGOIMA request

6 May 2024

Dear Toby

Thank you for your information request received on Friday 10 May. You asked for the following information for the last 34 years:

- Number of claims brought against Council in the calendar year, relating to its
 functions and performance under the Building Act 1991 and/or 2004, assosciated
 with Residential building category defect claims for residential buildings under 3
 stories and associated building control functions as well as any building defect claims
 excluding Commercial and Residential alterations and additions and associated
 building control functions. including granting building consents, carrying out
 inspections and/or issuing Code Compliance Certificates.
- Total amount (including GST if any) Council paid out in settlements and/or judgments for building defect claims in the calendar year associated with the previous question.
- Total legal and expert costs incurred during the calendar year for defending and/or resolving Building Defect Claims associated with the previous question.
- Did any of the Building Defect Claims in the calendar year involve natural hazards as defined in s 71(3) of the Building Act 2004? (Y/N)
- How many Building Defect Claims in the calendar year involved buildings built by Group Housing Companies (Group Housing Company definition - builds or built more that 10 homes per year).

Our General Manager Corporate Support and Building Control Manager have considered your request and reviewed Council records from the last seven years. In that time there have been **no claims/settlements or judgments** relevant to your questions.

If you are unsatisfied with the response, you are entitled to lodge a complaint with the Office of the Ombudsmen. You can find more information on its website http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz

Kind regards

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Sonia Gerken

GM Communications / Customer Support