



25 October 2023



Dear Norma

**Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987**

We refer to your official information request dated 21 September 2023 for:

1. The original construction costs and process for building the Eastbourne pool.

**Answer:** The construction of the Eastbourne pool was carried out in 1978. Council records show that a total of \$40,000 was spent in 1992 for pool heating (natural gas) and hot showers. In 1997, re-roofing has costed \$13,500. Internal configuration of showers and toilets and new entry doors on the North West elevation have costed \$60,000 in 2011 and new heat pumps in 2022 have costed \$72,000.

The heating of the pool and domestic water is done by an electric heat pump, installed as part of HCC's decarbonisation initiative in 2022. There is no HVAC in the building. We do use a cover over the pool each night to preserve heat.

2. The operational costs in maintaining / operating the Eastbourne pool

**Answer:** Operational budget for Eastbourne Pool for 2023/2024 totals \$35,659 (Note that this does not include staff wages).

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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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Yours sincerely

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