

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [Janice Smith](#); [Paul Gardner](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Local Government Official Information for Hearing of 11 February 2025  
**Date:** Friday, 7 February 2025 2:41:52 pm  
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Kia ora [REDACTED]

We have received your request for information and based on your request for urgent delivery of a response before the hearing scheduled on Tuesday 11 February, we provide the following:

Noted - we are aware that the Principal Advisor, Roding spoke with you for over 30 minutes on Wednesday, 5 February in relation to the first three issues.

**1            *Repairs to the bridge over the Oterei River***

Please refer to the attached correspondence dated Monday, 20 January 2025.

**2            *Contingency plans for the Gluepot***

As previously advised by the Principal Advisor, Roding on Wednesday, 5 February, there is currently no budget assigned for remediation. We understand that you have formulated your own contingency plan, and if you would like SWDC to consider it, then we would be happy to look at it in further detail.

**3            *Acquisition of 10ha around the Gluepot for the contingency plan and construction of a diversion road (which would save all HSW cost)***

As previously advised by the Principal Advisor, Roding on Wednesday, 5 February, there is currently no budget assigned. The Principal Advisor, Roding, however, will be meeting with the landowner later this month, to explore whether there is a way of working through the issue in a collaborative way.

**4.            *Copies of all documents and digital records relevant to the Representation Decision:***

All publicly available documents in relation to the Representation Review can be accessed via our website. The dates are listed below and can be accessed via our meetings page and Youtube channel here:

[Upcoming Meetings – SWDC](#)

## [South Wairarapa District Council - YouTube](#)

• 28 June 23 Council Meeting
• 18 July 23 MSC Meeting
• 2 August 23 Council Meeting
• 9 August 23 FCB Meeting
• 7 September 23: MCB Meeting
• 18 October 23: GCB Meeting
• 27 September 23: Council Meeting
• 10 October 23: MSC Meeting
• 7 November 23: MSC Meeting
• 22 November 23: Council Meeting
• 28 February 24: workshop on Rep Review
• 1 May 24: workshop on Rep Review
• 1 May – 5 June 2024: Community Engagement (please refer to <a href="#">Representation Review - SWDC</a> )
• 26 June 24: Workshop on Rep Review
• 3 July 2024: SWC Meeting
• 31 July 2024: SWC Meeting for Initial Proposal adoption
• <a href="#">5 August – 8 September: Consultation on Initial Proposal</a>
• 4 September 24: SWC Meeting
• 4 September 24: Council Meeting
• 19 September 24: Hearings on Rep Review
• 2 October 24: Deliberations on Rep Review
• 30 October 24: Council Meeting for Final Proposal
• 1 November – 1 December 24: Appeals and Objectives (please refer to <a href="#">Representation Review - SWDC</a> )
• 13 November 24: SWC meeting (Rural and Coastal Advisory Group)

If you would like us to prepare a more comprehensive and formal response, including the hardcopies, we would need to apply the LGOIMA timeframes. If you like us to do so, please let me know.

With regard to the Long Term Plan timeline, the Consultation Document currently is undergoing review ahead of the consultation opening on 28 February, which will be open for 4 weeks. The deliberation hearings will take place on the week of 7 April and it is anticipated the adoption of the LTP will occur on the 25 June.

Ngā mihi



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 5, 2025 5:35 PM  
**To:** submissions <submissions@swdc.govt.nz>; Official Information Requests <lgoima@swdc.govt.nz>; Janice Smith <janice.smith@swdc.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** Local Government Official Information for Hearing of 11 February 2025

Ms Janice Smith, The CEO, The SWDC

5 2 25

Good Evening

I would be grateful for an answer in good time before the hearing on 11 February 2025 to the questions below in bold and italic type :

Yours Sincerely [REDACTED]

**MY LETTER OF 19 1 25 FOLLOWING EARLIER ENQUIRIES**

Good Morning [REDACTED]

19 1 25

On Tuesday 21 January 2025 could you please inform me on :

- 1 ***Repairs to the bridge over the Oterei River***
- 2 ***Contingency plans for the Gluepot***
- 3 ***Acquisition of 10ha around the Gluepot for the contingency plan and construction of a diversion road (which would save all HSW cost)***

**Subject:**Fwd: Hearing of appeals and objections relating to the South Wairarapa District Council's final representation proposal

**Date:**Mon, 3 Feb 2025 12:30:52 +1300

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

**LETTER OF 3 2 25 TO LGC WITH QUESTIONS IN BOLD AND ITALICS**

[REDACTED], The Administrator LGC [REDACTED]

██████████, The Senior Advisor, LGC ██████████

Good Morning,

I confirm that the LGC video hearing for the SWDC may proceed on **Tuesday 11 February commencing at 9-30am**. Please send your invitations to myself ██████████  
██████████ You will find all email addresses on the original appeal. I note that you have allowed 20 minutes for the three appellants to speak. Please state a hyperlink for the proposed video hearing.

1 Could you please confirm that each of the Appellants may nominate others to speak for them

2 I anticipate leading the presentation, but ██████████ will explain in practical detail how the present regime of dividing the District into the three townships effectively subdues a unique rural voice, despite the obvious differences of the rural community.

3 I have heard many rural voices expressing disappointment that the Appeal has been streamlined into a Video Conference with strictly limited participation rather than a live Hearing. I am personally sympathetic of their views and would remind the LGC of the Rules of Natural Justice (1990 NZBORA) In particular I think of *audi alterem partem* (listen to the other side) and the need to listen to the widest range of rural opinion and experience from well qualified and informed Expert local ratepayers and *Nemo iudex suam causam* (no one may be a judge in their own cause) meaning here that the Commissioners may feel a natural affinity for a District Council facing ratepayer discontent at poor historic decisions. I am concerned also by the effective exclusion of Federated Farmers, who have expressed support to us at a senior level

4 To mitigate these problems I propose sending an outline submission to supplement our appeal to be distributed to the LGC decision makers.

5 ***I have also copied this letter to the CEO SWDC as an urgent request under the LGOI Act that she immediately and no later than this week send by internet followed by hardcopy send to the three Appellants copies of all documents and digital records relevant to the Representation Decision (and also advise the Timetable for processing the 10 year Annual Plan)***

Yours Sincerely ██████████