

04 March 2019

Thank you for your request for information regarding the Certificate of Compliance for an airstrip at Elsthorpe Road, Otane.

Aerodromes are a permitted activity in the Rural zone of our District Plan as a Recreational Activity which means there are no specific activity standards they are required to abide by. However it is important to note that any activity must comply with the standards of the District Plan, including noise, access, parking, and signs.

Where an activity can be done lawfully in a particular location without resource consent, Section 139 of the Resource Management Act sets out that a person may request the consent authority (the council) to issue a certificate of compliance. You will find this attached, along with a report detailing our planner's assessment against rules in the District Plan.

In addition to this, we have attached the following:

- Information contained within the Council's property file relating to the airstrip
- Information contained within the Council's consent database relating to the airstrip
- Emails relating to the airstrip
- Service Requests where members of the public have enquired about the airstrip and this has been referred to officers.

It may appear that some of the information is repeated in these attachments, but this is due to the information being held in different files, as well as being circulated through emails.

As previously advised, some information has been withheld under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 as follows:

- s 7(2)(a) where withholding of information is necessary to protect the privacy of natural persons.

In particular, we have withheld the names and contact information of customer services and planning staff and details of members of the public. We have also withheld the applicant's mobile phone number.

- s 7(2)(f)(i) where withholding is necessary to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expressions of staff or members of a local authority.

This relates to the opinion of an elected member contained within an email.

If you have any questions about this response, please feel free to contact me on 06 857 8060 or by email: [governance@chbdc.govt.nz](mailto:governance@chbdc.govt.nz).

If you do not feel we have not responded adequately to your request or have concerns about the delay in providing this response to you, you have the right to seek a review of our decision by the Ombudsman.

Regards

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