

12 November 2025



Tēnā koe 

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: 2025-57

Thank you for your email of Thursday, 23 October 2025 to the Carterton District Council (CDC) attached as **Appendix A**.

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act).

Regent Building

CDC have issued an Earthquake Prone Building Notice to the Regent Building in High Street, and placed it on the Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment register which can be viewed here:

<https://epbr.building.govt.nz/register/view/fe776bd7-0f97-43ab-b6c1-8ef1fe2222c6>. You may or may not be aware that the legislation is changing and the status of the building may be reviewed once the new legislation is enacted.

Information about complaint about the building

Our records show that on 14 October 2025 we received one service request complaint relating to matter you have raised in this LGOIMA request, as well as two phone calls that our building team received from you.

Record of verbal complaints of dangerous buildings

Depending on the circumstances surrounding a complaint and the allegations made, a complaint is recorded and referred to our building team. The dangerous building test is high in that in many cases the threshold for taking action in regard to an alleged dangerous building is not met. If a verbal complaint was made, we normally discuss this with the caller at the time. In your case, unfortunately, the call was terminated.

Police complaint through 105 number

Police complaints are not connected to any of the council complaints, unless the council were made aware of a complaint by the police through their formal process.

Falling debris from roof top

The cost of securing the roof during the storm was agreed between the owner of the building and the crane operating company. There was no cost to council or the taxpayer for this work.

Please note, the Council proactively publishes LGOIMA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā



Geoff Hamilton
Chief Executive
Carterton District Council

Appendix A

From: LGOIMA Requests
Subject: FW: Acknowledgement LGOIMA 2025-57: Dangerous illegal derelict building, Regent Building High street north, town centre

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, 23 October 2025 11:42 am
To: Council Info Mailbox <info@cdc.govt.nz>
Subject: Dangerous illegal derelict building, Regent Building High street north, town centre

Caution: This email originated from outside the council. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Mr Tait building inspector, our new mayor and councillors,

This is yet another formal complaint about the illegal and dangerous building known as the Regent Building - old Lounge Bag - Regent 58 building. The building that has for months had debris falling from its verandah onto people on the street - and being swept up by someone on the council, or is [REDACTED] hired by the very rich very powerful Catholic [REDACTED]. Try reading the LAW related to why this building is illegal - it is in English and quite easy to comprehend for most people.

I was not surprised at all to see this dangerous illegal eyesore derelict building lost part of its roof during yesterdays storm. I even laughed seeing the road closed for a time as the danger this building posed was taken seriously for a short time. Until other Catholics or elitists (hard to work out their allegiances) in positions of power got the road re-opened and spent how much of OUR TAX/RATES MONEY trying to stop even more debris flying off this building.

As I have been making these complaints for many months to police, along with MBIE and council, and as I know the law. You are not only protecting this criminal powerful rich Catholic [REDACTED] (the Art of Business, yeah right) you are putting ratepayers in a position where they are going to have to pay out \$\$\$\$ compensation to anybody who has damage done to their property or a person (including someone they care about) from debris falling from this building. BECAUSE THE COUNCIL KNEW ABOUT THIS DANGEROUS BUILDING AND REFUSED TO DO ANYTHING.

The Regent building must be made safe or demolished - you didn't give the poor people who owned Nature Rules building and dairy any sort of choice, yet you give this wealthy Catholic a free ride.

I look forward to a response about what you are going to do with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] illegal ACCORDING TO THE BUILDING ACT building/eyesore in our town.

Under the Privacy Act and the Official Information Act can I please have all information regarding [REDACTED] building known as The Regent Building High Street North, between Pizza/chicken shop and The Olive Tree. All decisions and information related to my complaints about the building being illegal and dangerous. Do your staff write down when they get verbal complaints of dangerous buildings and how does a member of the public make a police complaint through 105 number, that it is dangerous and there is falling debris but the Chief Building inspector knows nothing about it?

Please advise who paid for the work needed to secure the building during the storm yesterday. I saw a crane of some sort placed there to stop more flying debris, as well as at least six people, so that costs a lot of money and someone is paying them. MY RATES taxes, OR MY central govt TAXES.

Please advise any other complaints about his building and [REDACTED] Seems to me [REDACTED] religion may have something to do with [REDACTED] getting away with this crime, while none of us would have.

Sincerely

[REDACTED]