

OIR: 2324/810

28 February 2024

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Tēnā koe ██████,

Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)

Thank you for your email of **16 February 2024** requesting the following information:

I would like to request a breakdown of cost for the following.

- 1. The establishment of the garden between the sets of traffic lights on the centre reservation on the main road Waikanae.***

This garden was installed by NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) as part of the old SH1 work scope. NZTA is best placed to answer this question and we have transferred this part of your request to NZTA.

A separate response to this part of your request will be coming directly from NZTA as required under section 12(b)(ii) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 which provides for a transfer where:

“...the information to which the request relates – is believed by the person dealing with the request to be more closely connected with the functions of another local authority or a Department or Minister of the Crown or organisation.”

- 2. The total cost of maintaining this garden including a breakdown down of the costs ie: labour and traffic management.***

The old SH1 route is not yet a Council asset, the cost of maintaining this garden is not known at this time as it has not been properly maintained. Initial maintenance of the central island beds may take more labour time due to the existing state and the need to tend to new plantings. An estimated cost of annual maintenance once the maintenance cycle is properly established is \$11,000.

Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.

3. The cost of the establishment of the New garden North of the Waikanae bridge now under construction.

The cost of establishing the new garden is \$110,000.00 and is being installed by Council.

4. The cost of maintaining this new garden to include labour and traffic management.

As it is not finished and has not yet been maintained the exact cost is not known at this time. However, an estimate cost to maintain the new garden bed is \$2,800 per annum.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman to review this decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, by fax to (04) 471 2254, or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi,



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