

OIR: 2425/1085

3 September 2024

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 **20 August 2024** requesting the following information:

is wondering if we can provide a full cost breakdown of the Poplar Ave raised pedestrian crossing.

We are unable to provide a full cost breakdown of the Poplar Avenue Raised Pedestrian Crossing as this information is commercially sensitive. On that basis, I must withhold this information under section 7(2)(b)(ii) of the Act which allows for Council to withhold information in order to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely to unreasonably prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. In Council's view the reasons for withholding these details are not outweighed by public interest considerations in section 7(1) favouring their release.

The total cost of the physical works for the Poplar Ave crossing is \$167,000 excluding Preliminary and General costs that covers several items including temporary traffic management. Please note that this project was tendered as part of a package of 5 projects.

The Preliminary and General cost covers all sites, within this package of works and we are unable to apportion those costs specifically associated with the Poplar Ave raised pedestrian crossing.

The package of works is largely completed with current costs totalling \$810,000, less than the original contract price of \$827,000.

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

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

Ngā mihi,

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