

08 April 2014

Official Information Request No. 9000128913 (Please quote this in any correspondence)

Mr Ross Hansen

By email: fyi-request-1595-a98b0fe0@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Hansen

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

Re: Costs for Maori policy unit and IMSB

I refer to your email dated 5 April 2014, which we received on 7 April 2014, requesting information about the costs for council's Maori policy unit and Independent Moari Statutory Board.

There is no monthly reporting to council but rather a quarterly performance report which covers Maori Outcomes and Treaty audit responses. This report is presented to the Finance and Performance Committee of council, and the agenda papers are available to the public on the council website www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz. The December quarterly report was presented to the Finance and Performance Committee meeting which was held on the 20 February 2014.

We have monthly internal management reporting which details the costs of Te Waka Angamua (council's Maori policy unit) and the Independent Maori Statutory board and their costs are as follows.

1) Te Waka Angamua

- The budget for the current financial year from July 2013 to June 2014 is \$4.9 million.
- The actual spend for the current financial year from July 2013 to February 2014 for Te Waka Angamua was \$2.3 million, comprising the following:
 - Staff costs \$1.5 million
 - Professional services \$0.5 million
 - Other expenditure \$0.3m.
- For the February month end, there were 27 Full Time Equivalent staff.

2) Independent Maori Statutory Board

- The budget for the current financial year from July 2013 to June 2014 is \$2.6 million.
- The actual spend for the current financial year from July 2013 to February 2014 for the Independent Maori Statutory Board was \$1.3 million, comprising the following:
 - Staff costs \$0.7 million
 - Professional services \$0.1 million
 - Other expenditure \$0.5m.
- For the February month end, there were 11 Full Time Equivalent staff.

Should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request, you have the right by way of complaint, under section 27(3) of the LGOIMA, to apply to the Ombudsmen to seek an investigation and review of the decision.

If you have any further queries please contact me on 09 301 0101, quoting Official Information Request No. 9000128913.

Yours sincerely

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