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Dear Sharon

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

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Thank you for contacting Auckland Transport on 28 July 2016 requesting information relating to road maintenance on Murphy's Rd Flat Bush, adjacent to No 125. On 22 August 2016, you had refined your request to the cost of the road repair history for 125 Murphys Road, Flatbush for the period 1 April 2016 to 1 June 2016.

Auckland Transport's response to your request for information is as follows:

1. **Maintenance Policy.** Auckland Transport's policies are contained in Chapter 25 of ATCOP, the specification for road maintenance. I understand you have a copy of this document.
2. **History.** This section of Murphys Road was resurfaced in March 2014. Prior to the resurfacing, a programme of maintenance repairs (pre-seal repairs) was carried out to prepare the road, in accordance with normal practice.
3. Since the resurfacing, only normal maintenance has been carried out – in the period you have requested (1st April to 1st June 2016) this comprised sweeping and pothole repairs, plus replacement of one missing/damaged sign.
4. The costs of pothole repairs on this section of road cannot be isolated, as potholes are a routine maintenance item. The contractor carries out regular inspections of the road network and repairs potholes and minor faults found. This work is paid on a monthly lump sum per month basis. This creates an incentive for the contractor to make good quality repairs, since they bear the cost of repeat work. There is also an incentive to keep the network in good condition, as they are paid a fixed sum regardless of the number of potholes they have to repair. In view of the above, the cost of pothole repairs is refused under section 17(g) of the LGOIMA as the specific costs are not held.
5. Sweeping is also a routine maintenance item so the costs cannot be isolated. Sweeping costs is therefore refused under section 17(g) of the LGOIMA as the specific costs are not held.

We trust the above information has addressed the matters raised however, should you believe that we have not responded appropriately to your request, you have the right in accordance with Section 27(3) of the LGOIMA to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman to seek an investigation and review in regard to this matter.

Yours sincerely



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