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Dear Harriet

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your request under the Official Information Act 1982 on 28 September 2016 for costs related to the final Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) Indicative Package. On 4 October 2016 you clarified that you were seeking the costs in relation to a specific list of projects. On 26 October 2016 the timeframe required to respond to your request was extended to allow for further consultation. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding.

Attached are two documents that set out the ATAP initiatives and estimated costs by decade, against the projects you listed in your request:

- Attachment 1: Breakdown of ATAP Indicative Package projects and costs for projects as outlined in your request.
- Attachment 2: Detailed breakdown of Auckland Rail Development Programme (cost estimates provided by Auckland Transport).

Note that the projects titles you refer to in your request may not exactly match the titles in the information released. The costs in the attachments do not include maintenance, renewals or operational costs. Attachment 1 also includes the costs for the balance of the capital improvement programme in the Indicative Package.

The costs for the projects are indicative estimates and are expected to change as each project is developed to the detailed design stage. For example, the estimated cost of the City Rail Link project was revised after the final ATAP. Some projects have yet to be developed and fully scoped and designed. Therefore, should you opt to release this information publically, we request that it is clear that the costs for the projects are indicative estimates and are expected to change as each project is developed to the detailed design stage.

Some projects have expenditure in the period up to 2018/19 (e.g. City Rail Link), but only the costs from 2018/19 onwards are included in the attached documents. The allocations of costs to decades are indicative only. The Indicative Package puts emphasis on the early focus areas (for the next 10 years) because we can be much more confident about our assumptions (e.g. growth) over this period compared with later decades.

The ATAP Indicative Package is not an investment programme as neither the Government nor Auckland Council are able to commit to funding over 30 years, and almost all transport investment needs to go through statutory processes. The package will evolve over time as new information and further analysis occurs which may change the scope, timing and costs of these projects.

If you would like to discuss this reply with the NZ Transport Agency, please contact Kevin Wright, Manager Investment & Planning Analytics, by email to kevin.wright@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (09) 969 9843.

Yours sincerely

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