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(Please quote this in any correspondence)

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Dear William

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## Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

### Re: Financial information for Rodney

I refer to your email, which we received on 19 September 2017, requesting information about the Rodney Local Board and North Rodney area.

**1) All communications, internal or external, received or generated in relation to any requests (either of AC or of the Mayor) for financial statements for the Rodney Local Board area, or the North Rodney area, or the profitability of Auckland Council's activities in the area;**

We are unable to do a search for this correspondence, due to the breadth and wide scope of the request. In order to search for correspondence such as emails we need very specific timeframes, the names of people (to and from), specific keywords and any other details which may narrow your search. We are unable to search more than 18,000 mailboxes for generic terms such as financial statements, North Rodney or profitability. Please contact me if you would like to discuss a narrower search for correspondence.

**2) Any analysis by AC (or its consultants - including for the Framework Review report) of any financial modelling or analysis of profitability of the Rodney Local Board area (excluding any data publicly available on the AC website);**

Your letter refers to the Governance Framework Review. For the work carried out by Auckland Council for the Governance Framework Review, the costs of local activities across Auckland's 21 local boards were set out. These are detailed in the attached spreadsheet, and include only the direct costs of those activities i.e. they exclude interest, depreciation and corporate overhead. Local activities are only those that are under the direct control of local boards; Auckland Council does not account for regional activities (those under the control of the governing body and council-controlled organisations) by local board area.

In addition, as you are probably aware, Morrison Low undertook an analysis of options for local government reorganisation on behalf of the Local Government Commission and their report can be found here:

<http://www.lgc.govt.nz/assets/Auckland-Reorganisation/Morrison-Low-Report-Auckland-reorganisation-process-Auckland-Options-Assessment-August-2017.pdf>

The raw data provided by Auckland Council that informed the Morrison Low report is available here:

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/about-auckland-council/performance-transparency/privacy-official-information-requests/published-responses-information-requests/Pages/local-government-commission-information-request.aspx>

We were unable to find any further analysis that comes within the scope of your request. If you believe we hold any specific analysis or document, please provide more details and I can investigate further with the relevant departments.

**3) A record and description of all work performed by the consultants Morrison Low (ML) for AC, and the duration and cost of each assignment or contract. (If contract confidentiality conditions preclude disclosure of the cost, provide the duration and scope of work undertaken).**

In the interests of public transparency, Auckland Council proactively releases reports which outline the contracts that have been awarded to external providers. These can be accessed here:

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/about-auckland-council/working-with-us/Pages/awarded-contracts.aspx>

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 Ombudsman 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. 8140002000.

Yours sincerely



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