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Ben via FYI: fyi-request-8756-48a0354c@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Ben

Official Information Act Request

I refer to your request dated 24 September 2018 (received via www.fyi.org.nz) for the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (**Act**):

- 1. How much has Victoria University of Wellington spent (either paid or accrued) on all aspects of the decision to change its name?*
- 2. How many hours of staff time have been spent on all aspects of the decision?*
- 3. Has Victoria University of Wellington estimated how much it will cost to change its name (including consequential costs, such as rebranding costs)?*
- 4. If the answer to 3. is yes, please provide the best estimate of the total cost, an explanation of what costs are included or specifically excluded, and an explanation of how the cost was estimated.*

With regard to your first question, the University has spent \$254,871 on the name simplification project up until 24 September 2018.

In relation to your second question, the University does not record the time spent by staff on particular projects.

In relation to your final two questions, the expected financial cost of the name change, together with explanations, is outlined in the attached draft decision paper and final recommendation paper.

Yours sincerely



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