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Dear R Johnson

## **Local Government Official Information And Meetings Act 1987**

### **America's Cup Funding**

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 9 December 2018, concerning America's Cup Funding. Your requests and our response are set out separately below.

- 1. Please provide the entire business case or cases behind any and all funding from Auckland Council or its subsidiary organisations for the next America's Cup 2021. Could this also please include any internal supporting data behind the decision to fund this event.**

Auckland Council is yet to complete a formal business case for its investment in hosting the America's Cup in 2021.

We can confirm that the decision to fund the infrastructure to enable Auckland to host the America's Cup was made by Auckland Council Governing Body. Provided below, in chronological order, are links to all relevant papers considered by the Governing Body in reaching its decision, including all agendas (reports) and minutes (decisions). These papers include the council's subsidiary organisations.

- **Governing Body 23 November 2017 - Consideration of America's Cup 2021 location, infrastructure and funding:**
  - [Agenda](#)
  - [Minutes](#)
  - [Attachments](#)
  - [Additional Attachments](#)
- **Governing Body 14 December 2017 - America's Cup 2021 - Decision on location and infrastructure requirements:**
  - [Agenda](#)
  - [Minutes](#)
  - [Attachments](#)

- **Governing Body 29 March 2018 - America's Cup 2021 - decision on location and infrastructure requirements:**
  - [Agenda](#)
  - [Minutes](#)
  - [Attachments](#)
- **Governing Body 6 December 2018 - Update on infrastructure build and associated budget for America's Cup 2021:**
  - [Agenda](#)
  - [Minutes](#)
  - [Attachments](#)

**2. The economic benefit of the event has been estimated by government at between \$500 million and \$1 billion. Was this estimate produced from council data? If so, could you please provide the data behind this estimate, if any?**

The Government, through the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), commissioned a high-level economic assessment evaluation of the 36<sup>th</sup> America's Cup from specialist consultant Market Economics Limited.

The estimate was not produced from Auckland Council data.

The final Market Economics Limited '36<sup>th</sup> America's Cup: High Level Economic Assessment Evaluation (Amended)' dated 18 December 2017 is **Attachment 1**

You have the right to seek an investigation and review of this response by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any questions please contact me on 09 301 0101 quoting LGOIMA No. 8140003988.

Yours sincerely



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