

Kia ora

I refer to your email dated 10 November 2024 in which you asked for information on Christmas tree(s) and decoration costs for 2024.

I provide the following responses under your questions.

How much has/will DCC pay for Christmas tree(s) and their decorations 2024?

*Excluding the Octagon tree, the DCC will pay \$10,382.08 exclusive of GST for Christmas trees and decorations. This cost is for 4 x 6ft Christmas Trees at Toitū, decorations and includes the Pixie Town exhibition.*

*LED street light pole decorations will cost \$12,650 exclusive of GST. This cost includes the installation and removal of LED lit decorations on light poles around the Octagon and on light poles on George Street. The installation costs cover testing and tagging of the decorations by a certified electrician annually, preparation of the decorations prior to installation, traffic management during installation and removal, labour costs for both installation and removal of the decorations. The installation is carried out by experienced installers with EWP and advanced height qualifications in certified equipment.*

How much is the tree in Octagon costing?

*The Octagon tree will cost \$20,450 exclusive of GST. We reuse the tree each year but costs include: Installation and removal of the Christmas tree, structural engineering reports which are required, an onsite inspection by a structural engineer during the build process to meet the requirements of the PS4 (a document that verifies that building work complies with the Building Code). The costs for the preparation of the decorations prior to installation, traffic management during the build and removal, access equipment for the tree build and dismantle. Labour costs for both installation and removal.*

Kā mihi



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