

25 October 2018

Tabitha Lorck
New Zealand Taxpayers' Union

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Dear Tabitha

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) Request

I refer to your request for information as follows:

a) Domestic travel

1. the total spend on all domestic flights by your Council in the 2017/2018 financial year.
2. the total number of domestic flights flown in the same period.

b) International travel

1. the total spend on all international flights in the 2017/2018 financial year;
2. a list of each international itinerary flown in the same period, including the:
 1. destination (s);
 2. reason for travel;
 3. travel class flown;
3. costs for each international itinerary, please also provide details of all associated:
 1. entertainment expenses;
 2. food;
 3. accommodation;
 4. conference costs;
 5. transport and transfers;
 6. (including any expense reimbursement);
4. For each international itinerary, please tell us if a domestic partner also travelled with the official.

In response to your request we can provide the following information

Domestic Airfares for 2017/18	\$214,067.00
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International Airfares for 2017/18	\$133,818.00
International Accommodation for 2017/18	\$58,627.00

With respect to your request for a breakdown of the other costs, the Council's financial system is not set up to hold this information separately, and therefore, your request for this information is declined pursuant to section 17 (f) of LGOIMA that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research. Council also declines your request for a copy

all the itineraries, the reason for travel and the number of flights by the Council under section 17 (f) of LGOIMA.

As we have declined to provide some information requested you are advised that you have the right to seek a review by the Office of the Ombudsman at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Lapham', written in a cursive style.

Jennifer Lapham
Governance Support Officer