From: Lauren McDonald

Subject: Local Government Official Information Meetings Act request - parklets etc

Date: Thursday, 26 September 2019 03:45:00 p.m.



Further to your email of 2 September 2019, I have repeated your requests below for clarity together with our response.

## Details of the series of trials for George St under the Central City Plan (e.g. 5 proposed parklets)

Details of the trials are still being developed and further trials for the George Street project have not been confirmed. The projects (and trials) proposed for the Central City Plan are identified in the plan itself, which can be found on the Council website and within the Long Term Plan 2018-28, please access via the links provided below:

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/ data/assets/pdf\_file/0010/544816/Central-City-Plan.pdf

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/annual-and-long-term-plans/10-year-plan

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/annual-and-long-term-plans/10-year-plan/section-1-introduction/1.6-major-projects

The Council approved \$60 million for substantial investment in the central city upgrade as part of the 10 year plan for 2018-2028. Below is an extract from the LTP major projects – capital expenditure for the Central City upgrade:

Section 4.2 – Dunedin City Council 10 Year capital expenditure budget for the years ending 30 June 2019 – 2028: Roading and footpaths group capital expenditure budget for the years ending 30 June 2019 – 2028 (Shown in \$000)



An update on the Retail Quarter – George Street concept design of the Central City Plan was presented to the Planning and Environment Committee on 11 June 2019, the links to the reports are below:

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0005/722831/Central-City-Plan-report-Planning-and-Environment-Committee-11-June-2019.pdf

(Retail quarter – George Street concept design report)

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0006/722832/Central-City-Plan-report-supplementary-Planning-and-Environment-Committee-11-June-2019.pdf (Draft Activity Plan)

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/policies,-plans-and-strategies/plans/central-city-plan

(Central City Plan, including details on the Retail Quarter)

Information on the retail quarter, including the developing of the preliminary concept for George Street can be found via: <a href="https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/policies\_-plans-and-strategies/plans/central-city-plan/retail-quarter">https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/policies\_-plans-and-strategies/plans/central-city-plan/retail-quarter</a>

## Any proposals under this plan together with the Budgets for whatever is planned (e.g. 5 proposed parklets).

The costs for proposed Central City Plan works are within the approved budgets. The upgrade work will be aligned on underground services such as water and wastewater pipes which need to be replaced as the central city area has not had major street improvements for more than 20 years. The Retail Quarter project will improve safety in the central city area and create a more attractive space with new paving, street furniture and lighting.

The budgets for each major project are not currently included in the Central City Plan. The activation trials (such as the parklets) have two primary purposes:

- 1. To inform the design of the central city upgrades (e.g. parklets will help inform the level of investment made in resting and seating points as currently there is none in George St).
- 2. To acknowledge the disruption to the community and business owners caused by the project and look for methods to minimise the disruption and maintain or increase footfall to the area during the project.

An activity plan for this is currently being developed and any budget associated to it will be formalised during the baseline setting exercise of the project. The baseline for the project is being developed and is informed by a detailed business case including what the project will deliver, in what timeframe and for what budget.

The major projects and budgets within the Central City Plan are:

- Retail Quarter
- The Cultural and Entertainment Quarter

- The Creative Quarter
- The Warehouse Precinct

I can advise that Central City Plan, in the City Development Budget spent \$381,000 on the Vogel Street abutment at the Warehouse Precinct as a 30 June 2019

## For any proposed projects what of the costs are for traffic management, what for payment to artists, what for labour and for materials

The costs for proposed works are within the approved budgets. In regard to the parklets example you stated, there is no detailed budget breakdown of the parklets. There was an open Tender process to provide the parklets and this work was awarded as a Lump Sum (i.e. \$167,000 to deliver 5 parklets as specified in the tender). The funding for the parklets is from an Urban Development budget set aside for city-wide activation trials.

The materials cost to distinguish between such as apparently steel and wood and whatever greenness is proposed.

As stated above there is no detailed budget breakdown of the Parklets.

Yours sincerely

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**Subject:** LGOIMA parklets etc

Could I Have the details of the series of trials for George St under the Central City Plan. In fact any proposals under this plan together with the

Budgets for whatever is planned. I would hope that the budgets would have a reasonable level of detail. For example the proposed 5 parklets apparently

Will cost \$167,000. I would like to know for any proposed projects what of the costs are for traffic management, what for payment to artists, what for labour and

For materials. I would like the materials cost to distinguish between such as apparently steel and wood and whatever greenness is proposed.

Many thanks,