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Dear ██████████

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 24 April 2023 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

How much has Supporting Growth spent preparing the Indicative Business case and identifying route options in Warkworth so far?

You clarified your request on 1 May 2023 to confirm you are requesting the full costs spent to date on the Supporting Growth project.

To support Warkworth's growth, Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth Alliance is planning a long-term transport network so that current and future communities can have better access to safe, accessible, and low-carbon transport choices. Our focus is on planning for future growth now by protecting the land required for the new transport corridors before homes and communities are built.

Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth's costs as at 22 April 2023 relating to the Warkworth project area are set out below. The costs are split between Auckland Transport and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency, as the partners in the Supporting Growth Alliance.

Programme Component	Costs
Indicative Business Case (2019)	\$1,087,920.61
Detailed Business Case (2023) and Notice of Requirement documentation (2023)	\$3,493,305.85

Can you provide a breakdown on what the money has been spent on?

These costs have been incurred through the provision of professional services including, but not limited to, the following:

- Mana whenua engagement
- Public and stakeholder engagement
- Transport network modelling
- Economic analysis

- Planning services
- Legal advice
- Engineering design services
- Urban design
- Ecological assessments
- Noise and vibration assessments
- Visual and landscape assessments
- Archaeological assessment
- Stormwater and flooding assessments
- Construction assessments
- Project management

What is the budget for the entire Warkworth project (not including property acquisition)?

The overall estimate for capital costs to implement the the Warkworth programme (excluding property acquisition) is \$1.0bn.

*Is it true that affected property owners have to sign a confidentiality agreement? If so, why?
What happens if they don't sign?*

Over March 2023, meetings with affected landowners have been held to discuss potential effects and outline their rights under the Notice of Requirement process.

There is no requirement for confidentiality agreement with these landowners. Supporting Growth has requested Non-Disclosure Agreements in discussions where commercial confidentiality and privacy is needed to be maintained.

In line with Waka Kotahi policy, this response will soon be published on our website, with personal information removed.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Kaity Alexander, Media Manager, by email to kaity.alexander@nzta.govt.nz

Yours sincerely



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