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Dear ██████████

**Request made under the Official Information Act 1982**

Thank you for your email of 16 August 2023 requesting information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). I will address each part of your request in turn below.

***Would this make HKA, or Amelia East, a contractor?***

Yes.

***...can I get the amount of money spent to the end of the 2022/23 year on contractors***

We have interpreted “contractor” to be a person temporarily working in the core programme team (i.e. temporarily filling a role where there is a vacancy). In 2022/23 financial year, Let’s Get Wellington Moving spent \$3.9 million on contractors.

***...how much it expects to spend in the 23/24 year?***

This question requires us to form an opinion or provide an explanation and so create new information to answer the request. Waka Kotahi is not under an obligation to create new information in order to respond to a request.

For context around the use of contractors, contractors are often an important part of successful and cost-effective delivery of programme work, including transport programmes. They provide programmes with the ability to swiftly fill necessary vacant roles. They also provide specialist expert advice and planning services, allow for short-term capability and/or capacity uplift, and provide additional flexibility, including while recruitment processes for longer-term solutions may be ongoing. Examples of contractor services include strategic advice and planning expertise, project management, and communications and engagement.



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 LGWM, please contact Willy Trolove, Senior Advisor Governance, by email to [willy.trolove@lgwm.nz](mailto:willy.trolove@lgwm.nz).

Yours sincerely



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