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Dear [redacted]

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 20 May 2024 requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

> *What is NZTA's funding for Te Huia? and*
> *What if any are the targets e.g. passenger numbers etc.*

I have numbered each part of your request for convenience and will answer each in turn.

1. ***What is NZTA's funding for Te Huia?***

NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) will continue to co-invest in the Te Huia service between Hamilton and Auckland, with approximately $12.2 million committed from the 2024/27 National Land Transport Fund for the remaining 2 years of the 5-year trial.

Please see the 17 May 2024 announcement of this funding for more information, which can be found here: www.nzta.govt.nz/media-releases/nz-transport-agency-confirms-funding-for-te-huia/.

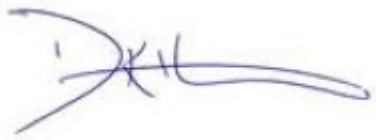
2. ***What if any are the targets e.g. passenger numbers etc.***

The targets for the remaining period of the trail, ending in April 2026 are in the table in the appendix.

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

If you would like to discuss this reply with NZTA, please contact the Ministerial Services team, by email to official.correspondence@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely



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Item	Target (for both 2024/25, and 2025/26)
Patronage	400 passengers/weekday (as revised in 2022)
Customer Satisfaction	90%
Reliability	99% of planned services are undertaken
Punctuality	90% services on time within 5 minutes 95% services on time within 15 minutes
Fare box recovery	15%
Car vs Rail travel time	Faster than car (i.e., shorter journey time than private vehicle in peak) More reliable than car (i.e., difference between average and 85 percentile travel time smaller than private vehicle in peak)