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From: Official Information
Sent: Thursday, 1 December 2016 2:53 p.m.
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: LGOIMA - Parking Meters

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email, received on 2 November. You requested the following information, under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA):

1. *How much has the council earned from parking machines/meters the last financial year?*
2. *Was this ahead of budget?*
3. *Can you provide a breakdown of payment for parking, ie coins, cards, text a park?*
4. *How many machines do you operate?*
5. *Are you able to reveal which machine, or street, earned the most \$\$\$?*
6. *Can you say where the cheapest park is, and the most expensive?*
7. *Anything else you would like to add?*

Staff Response

Council Staff have provided a response to your questions below:

1. How much has the Council earned from parking machines/meters the last financial year?

The value of parking meter transaction for the 2015/16 year was \$4,936,205.40

2. Was this ahead of budget?

Yes it was.

3. Can you provide a breakdown of payment for parking, ie coins, cards, text a park?

The Council does not consider it appropriate to provide the breakdown of payments as it could inadvertently identify the amount of cash in meters. It is considered that the disclosure of this information would potentially expose a risk to the destruction and/or damage of the assets along with theft of any coins held within the parking meters. As a result the Council has decided to withhold this information under the following grounds of the LGOIMA 7(2)(b)(ii) – to protect the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.

4. How many machines do you operate?

There are currently 257 meters operational.

5. Are you able to reveal which machine, or street, earned the most \$\$\$?

The Council is unable to provide specific information based on a street-by-street basis, however the meter that recorded the most revenue was situated in the Re-Start Car Park.

6. Can you say where the cheapest park is, and the most expensive?

The cheapest park is \$2.00 All day on Oxford Terrace between Colombo and Manchester Streets and the most expensive is \$8.00 All day at the Aldersgate Car Park. The On-Street charges for short stay parking are \$3.10 per hour.

7. Anything else you would like to add?

In the Council's view the reasons for withholding these details are not outweighed by public interest considerations in section 7(1) favouring their release.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman to review this decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, by fax to (04) 471 2254, or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Kind regards,

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