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Official Information Request No. 9000126147  
(Please quote this in any correspondence)

Mr Bryan Reade  
By Email: [xxxx](mailto:xxxx@xxxx)

Dear Mr Reade

**Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987**

**Re: Mayoral limousine costs**

I refer to your letter, which we received on 1 November 2013, requesting a year by year breakdown of the running costs for the mayoral car since the establishment of Auckland Council in 2010.

The total cost for the mayoral car is \$22,340 per annum. This amount represents a total cost to the organisation from capital/purchase, fuel, mileage, depreciation, insurance and registration and all running costs.

The mayoral car is owned by Auckland Council. The running costs are funded by the mayoral office and deducted from the Mayor's honorarium. Therefore, the mayoral car is fully costed into the Mayor's remuneration package as set and regulated by the Remuneration Authority, which includes as a condition full private use of the vehicle.

The council does not keep a log book for the mayoral car. However, council records show that as at 18 October 2013, the current mayoral car had travelled 94,421 kilometres since it was purchased in April 2011. As Mayor of the largest council in Australasia representing one-third of New Zealand's population the Mayor of Auckland must travel frequently and efficiently to many locations around the entire region to effectively conduct a variety of mayoral and council business.

I trust this will satisfy your request, however if you have any further queries please contact me on 09 3010101, quoting Official Information Request No. 9000126147.

I also wish to apologise for the delay in getting this response to you and draw your attention to your right of complaint to the Office of the Ombudsmen regarding this delay.

Yours sincerely

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**Democracy Services**

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