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Official Information Request No. 9000126670
(Please quote this in any correspondence)

Des Cowie

Via email: fyi-request-1331-71d0a0bb@requests.fyi.org.nz

Dear Mr Cowie

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act)

Barry Curtis Park – Development Costs

I refer to your email, which we received on 25 November 2013, requesting information about the development costs of Barry Curtis Park. Please find the responses to your questions below:

1. The cost to buy the land for Barry Curtis Park.

We are not able to identify the original cost of the 77ha of land that makes up Barry Curtis Park.

Therefore, we refuse pursuant to section 17(e) of the Act: that the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or cannot be found.

2. The cost to purchase all the plants and trees at Barry Curtis Park.

Manukau City Council did not separately record the cost of plants and the cost of planting. The total cost for trees, plants, plant supply and planting from 2003-2011 was \$1,913,266.33.

3. The cost to plant all the plants and trees at Barry Curtis Park.

Please refer response to question 2.

4. From which fund(s?) were the foregoing costs made and the years in which the expenditure incurred.

The original acquisitions and planting was funded from cash received from financial and development contributions.

5. Identify in which account(s) these costs now reside.

Please refer to question 4.

6. The value, and the basis of valuation, of these accounts as reported for the 2012/13 year.

Current values for Barry Curtis Park

Land at valuation 30 June 2013	\$20,594,000
Amenities block at valuation 30 June 2013	\$376,228
Other improvements and structures at cost	\$3,925,564
Total carrying value	\$24,895,792

Reserve land is valued every three years by an independent registered valuer. The accepted methodology for the valuation of reserve land is the rural land value approach adjusted for location and site-specific attributes.

The amenities block is valued applying the depreciated replacement cost methodology.

I 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. I also advise your right to make complaint to the Ombudsmen, under section 27(3) of the Act, should you believe Auckland Council has not responded appropriately to your request.

Yours sincerely



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