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Tēnā koutou Ohakune Ratepayers and Residents Society Inc

Thank you for your request dated 10 June 2024 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities, regarding the Teitei Drive, Ohakune development under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act) as follows:

*The reporting shows some  
\$0.19m for milestone 6  
\$1.08m for milestone 7  
\$1.03m for milestone 8*

- 1./ Please confirm the total amounts that were drawn down from HUD and the requests and approvals.*
- 2./ Please advise why these milestones were paid out of order and for items that have not been completed.*
- 3./ Please advise the allocation of these funds, i.e. the parties that received them, such as KO or RDC*
- 4./ If all funds were received by KO in question 3, please advise if KO paid to RDC any funds or is awaiting payment to RDC of any funds*
- 5./ If the total figure released from HUD differs from the amounts listed above, please advise the total figures that have been drawn down*
- 6. / Please advise on what grounds these funds were drawn down and what they were paid towards*

I will respond to each part of your request in an asked and answered format below.

***1./ Please confirm the total amounts that were drawn down from HUD and the requests and approvals.***

I can confirm that the drawdowns claimed to date total \$350,000 + GST, these are:

- \$224,000 + GST, dated 28 July 2023, for milestone 1
- \$126,000 + GST, dated 10 October 2023, for milestone 2

Please refer to the attached invoices. There is no further request or approval documentation. Some information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act, 'to protect the privacy of natural persons'. Kāinga Ora has considered the public interest in providing this information but does not consider it to outweigh the need to withhold it.

**2./ Please advise why these milestones were paid out of order and for items that have not been completed.**

The shovel ready funding drawdowns received were not paid out of order and were for completed milestones 1 and 2. It is important to note that the total amounts drawn down at each milestone specifically relate to work that is completed, rather than a nominal allocation of funding released.

**3./ Please advise the allocation of these funds, i.e. the parties that received them, such as KO or RDC**

Shovel ready funding drawdowns were received by Kāinga Ora.

**4./ If all funds were received by KO in question 3, please advise if KO paid to RDC any funds or is awaiting payment to RDC of any funds**

Kāinga Ora has paid invoices to RDC for consent fees only. There is no shovel ready funding planned to be paid to RDC.

**5./ If the total figure released from HUD differs from the amounts listed above, please advise the total figures that have been drawn down**

Shovel ready funding drawdown claimed and received to date are for milestone 1 and milestone 2, for a combined total of \$350,000 + GST. There have been no drawdowns for milestones 6-8.

**6./ Please advise on what grounds these funds were drawn down and what they were paid towards**

The shovel ready fund drawdowns received were in accordance with completed contract Milestones 1 and 2, these being Start-up and Concept Design. The funds reimbursed Kāinga Ora for consultant design fees and consent fees.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of my decision on your request. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or Freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases its responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/>, with your personal information removed.

Nāku noa, nā



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