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Alan Thompson
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Dear Alan

Information Request – Makara Fire on the Chatham Islands

I refer to your official information request dated 9 May 2018 regarding the Makara Fire on the Chatham Islands.

Please find below a breakdown of the costs of the 2017/18 Chatham Islands Fire as requested.

Break down of Chatham Islands fire (Makara)	(\$)
Hire of Aerial Services	833,090.86
Travel	167,345.24
Loss of Wages (Volunteers)	130,227.55
Contractors	120,184.01
Fuel	42,724.55
Accommodation and meals	40,838.44
Incident Catering	27,029.85
Wages (Paid staff)	19,109.49
Freight	16,597.11
Class A Foam	15,995.00
Protective Clothing	2,747.25
Operational Equipment	1,956.46
Miscellaneous costs	1,083.13
Total costs	1,418,928.94

I am advised that there was no operational review undertaken as a result of this fire. However, as is usual for these events, a formal debrief has been undertaken and a debrief report is currently being prepared.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Deuchars', written in a cursive style.

Leigh Deuchars
Director, Office of the Chief Executive