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Tom Austen

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Dear Tom

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

**Cost of closure - Waitākere Ranges Regional Park**

I refer to your email received on 2 April 2019, requesting information on the total cost of closing the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park. We apologise for the delay in providing this response.

The details of your request and our response is below.

**1. The total cost of closing the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park, including but not limited to, the cost of fencing off the track entrances.**

The total cost of closing the regional park in the 2018/2019 to date is \$204,604.

Table 1 below provides a breakdown of these costs.

**Table 1: Operational costs**

Activity	Cost
Barrier fence materials and installation	\$62,998
Road corridor consultation, traffic management, project management	\$53,293
Signage	\$31,663
Consultation, communications	\$56,650
Total	<b>\$204,604</b>

**2. The cost of the enforcement officers, and the people supervising the sanitary stations at the track entrances.**

Table 2 below shows the total cost of the compliance officers for the period July 2018 to March 2019.

**Table 2: Compliance Officer costs, Waitākere Ranges Regional Park**

<b>Month</b>	<b>\$</b>
July 2018	17,653
August 2018	20,442
September 2018	26,441
October 2018	19,909
November 2018	20,201
December 2018	25,899
January 2019	19,019
February 2019	17,526
March 2019	19,404
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$186,494</b>

**Table 3** in Attachment 1 summarises the total cost of the Kauri Dieback Ambassadors working in the Waitākere Ranges Regional Park over the period December 2018 to March 2019.

The total costs for both the compliance officers and ambassadors for Waitākere Ranges Regional Park to date is **\$262,939**.

**3. The 2019/2020 financial year budget for upgrading tracks to kauri dieback safe standard.**

The 2019/2020 capital budget for track improvement work on council-managed parks is **\$5,482,620.00**.

This is for track upgrades in the Waitākere and Hunua Ranges Regional Parks, as well other parks where there are tracks through kauri forest.

If you feel that we have not responded adequately to your request, 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](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you have any further queries, please contact me on (09) 301 0101 quoting LGOIMA No. 8140004405

Yours sincerely

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