## Manatū Taonga Ministry for Culture & Heritage

## **Gerry Hetet**

Tēnā koe Gerry,

I refer to your email received on 22 February 2022 which has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). This is noted below:

Could you please provide me with an up to date amount spent on the national Erebus memorial, broken down into the various components, i.e. Security, Materials, and Design Consultation, Expenses relating to Legal Services etc etc

In the below table you will find the total spend on the National Erebus Memorial project separated in costs for security, materials, design consultation, project management, technical consultants, keeping construction contractors on standby, and consents. Note that the below table covers costs up to the end of February 2022.

Costs of security, project management and costs to keep the main contractor on standby are being withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA as this information is commercially sensitive. The other costs are as follows:

Topic	Spent to date
Materials	\$211,507.00
Design Consultation (includes architect, specialist	
design advice such as Geotech, Civil Engineer)	\$652,982.00
Technical Consultants	\$60,305.75
Consents	\$23,730.00
Operational costs (including legal costs, travel,	
concept design, early contractors)	\$380,844.60
TOTAL as at 28 February 2022 (costs including	
those not supplied above)	\$2,139,860.35

In instances where material is withheld, the Ministry has considered the public interest as per section 9(1) of the OIA. We do not believe that the public interest outweighs the need to withhold this information.

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Nāku noa, nā

**Brodie Stubbs** 

Manager, Te Pae Mahara