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Dear Adam

Thank you for your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request received 15 July 2023, in which you requested information about the proceeds from infringement notices. I have answered each part of your request below.

I request information relating to section 141 of the Land Transport Act 1998, which states:

141 Provisions relating to infringement fees

- (1) *The infringement fee payable in respect of an infringement offence is the appropriate infringement fee prescribed in respect of the relevant offence by or under this Act.*
- (2) *If an infringement fee is paid to an enforcement authority other than the Police, the enforcement authority must give the Commissioner the particulars of the infringement and of the payment that the Commissioner requires.*
- (3) *Subject to subsections (4) and (5), all infringement fees received under this Act by an enforcement authority or recovered under the Summary Proceedings Act 1957 must be paid into a Crown Bank Account, except that the enforcement authority may retain any portion of the fees so received that the Minister of Finance from time to time approves as being the expenses incidental to their collection.*

1. *How much in fines we collected and paid into this crown account for the last 5 years (each year).*

I refer you to the schedule of non-departmental revenue and expenses found within the Police Annual Report. The Annual Report for each year is published on the Police website: <https://www.police.govt.nz/about-us/publications/corporate/annual-report>

This part of your request is therefore refused pursuant to section 18(d) of the OIA as the information requested is or will soon be publicly available.

2. *and for each year how much has NZ police been able to keep for "expenses incidental to their collection".*

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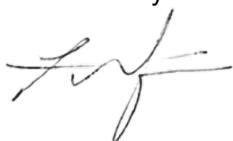
Police does not keep any funds for "expenses incidental to their collection". All funds received from infringement fees are transferred to the Crown.

3. *Additionally what is the current balance of the crown account and what are the funds used for.*

Infringement fee revenue is not collected into a specific account, but is transferred to the Government's consolidated fund, along with all other Crown revenue. It is then allocated based on the priorities of the Government of the day. This allocation is reflected in the Government's annual budget which sets out how much revenue the Government collects and how it intends to spend it. Further information on the last budget may be found at budget.govt.nz

I trust this information is satisfactory in answering your request. If you are not satisfied, 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



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