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Tēnā koe **7(2)(a)**

Thank you for your request of 13 November 2024 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting information regarding dog registration and animal management costs. Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Please find my response below.

- *The amount collected from dog registration fees over the past five years, broken down by year*

Please see the below table in response to this question.

Table 01 – Dog registration fees

Year	Amount collected
2020	\$1,271,901
2021	\$1,414,980
2022	\$1,507,317
2023	\$1,648,870
2024	\$1,533,625

- *The amount spent on animal management and shelter facilities over the past five years, broken down by year*

The Council's Animal Management function is contracted to Hutt City Council. The contract price for each of the past five years is shown in the below table.

Table 02 – Amount spent on animal management and shelter facilities

Year	Amount spent
2020	\$882,162
2021	\$883,182
2022	\$919,034
2023	\$971,225

2024	\$916,788*
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*The reduced figure for the 2024 year reflects the administration function being removed from the contracted service. This function is now undertaken by Wellington City Council.

The shelter at Moa Point is owned by Wellington City Council and fees for the lease are paid to Wellington City Council by Hutt City Council under a separate agreement. The shelter fees paid for the previous five years have been \$32,500 per annum.

- *The amount spent on animal park facilities and maintenance over the past five years, broken down by year*

Whilst the dog exercise areas are often located in our parks and reserves, the costs relating to dog specific areas are in the below table.

Table 03 – Amount spent on animal park facilities and maintenance

Year	Amount spent
2020	\$385,389
2021	\$405,827
2022	\$355,763
2023	\$488,557
2024	\$683,615

- *The cost of registration fees for a single desexed and single undesexed dog over the last five years, broken down by year*

Please see the below table in response to this question.

Table 04 – Dog registration fees per dog

Year	Desexed Dog	Entire Dog
2020	\$127.50	\$176.00
2021	\$127.50	\$176.00
2022	\$130.75	\$180.00
2023	\$135.00	\$187.00
2024	\$142.00	\$196.00

- *How much of the money collected via dog registration fees has been used for animal management, shelter facilities and animal park maintenance over the past five years, broken down by year*

Please see the below table in response to this question.

Table 05 – Breakdown of dog registration fees

Year	Income from Registration Fees	Total Costs
2020	\$1,271,901	\$1,267,551
2021	\$1,414,980	\$1,289,827
2022	\$1,507,317	\$1,274,797
2023	\$1,648,870	\$1,459,782
2024	\$1,533,625	\$1,600,403

For the years' 2020 – 2023 any income collected from registration fees, in excess of the outgoings on animal management and maintenance of exercise areas, contributed to the Public Health Team's administration costs.

For the year 2024, all income from registration fees contributed to the costs of animal management and maintenance of exercise areas.

Further information relating to the fees collected can be found in the Annual Dog Control Report accessible [here](#).

If you require further information, please contact official.information@wcc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā



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