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Cost of contracted security

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act). You requested the following information:

- What has been the cost, so far this year, and estimated cost for the full year, of the contracted security at Council libraries and other Council facilities?
- Has this been funded by the Council or has special funding come from the Central Government?
- If this is from within existing Council resources what other services have been reduced to fund the operation?

Wellington City Council has granted your request for information.

- **What has been the cost, so far this year, and estimated cost for the full year, of the contracted security at Council libraries and other Council facilities?**

Year to date Actual:	\$3,871,461.67 inc GST
Forecast for full FY:	\$4,142,505.93 inc GST

Both figures are higher than usual, given the Covid response from Council as well as protest activity that took place in Wellington in February. The year to date cost is through to May, although if you do require this up to January only, when your request was originally made, please let us know and we can provide this.

Both figures include all security services supplied to Council, including:

- Cash collection and processing of cash from site
- Alarm responses for alarms
- After hours site patrolling
- Static guards at locations such as the libraries
- Increased services due to protests, and Covid Responses (including lock down and Vaccine Pass requirements)
- Monitoring of all alarms (including dispatch to alarms)
- CCTV monitoring

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This has been funded by Council and comes out of our annual budget for security. No services have been reduced to fund the extra security costs.

Thank you again for your request, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

Claudia Holgate
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