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23 November 2022

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I refer to your requests received on 31 October 2022 for information relating to the National Erebus Memorial, under the Official Information Act 1982.

On 31 October 2022, you requested the following information:

*Can you please provide me with the most up to date cost information for the proposed Erebus Memorial as at 31 October 2022.*

*I would appreciate the costs being broken down as previously into materials, design consultation, technical consultants, consent and operating costs along with the total cost figure.*

*If you could also please confirm the total amount spent on security, project management and keeping Naylor Love on Standby from 1 October 2022 until 31 October 2022.*

I am releasing to you a table showing a breakdown of costs.

Topic	Spend as at 31 October 2022
Materials	\$211,507.50
Design Consultation	\$666,265.75
Technical consultants	\$63,081.27
Consents	\$23,730.05
Operating costs	\$454,000.34

The total spend as at 31 October 2022 is \$2,498,885.58 (this is the total costs including those not supplied in the breakdown above).

A breakdown of the project management costs, security costs, and costs to keep the main contractor on standby are being withheld under section 9(2)(b)(ii) of the OIA to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. We can supply the total for the 3 services combined.

Topic	Spend between 1 October 2022 and 31 October 2022
Security/Main Contractor/Project Management	\$3,999.33

As you are aware further details on costs are available here: <https://mch.govt.nz/erebus-memorial/faqs#14>, this figure is updated at the end of each Financial Year quarter.

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 the public interest outweighs the need to withhold this information.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [oi@mch.govt.nz](mailto:oi@mch.govt.nz). You have the right to seek an investigation and review by an Ombudsman of this decision.

Nāku noa, nā

Brodie Stubbs  
**Manager, Te Pae Mahara**

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