

From: [Mary Birch](#)
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Official Information Act request - spending on consultants
Date: Monday, 8 December 2014 17:08:47

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to your request of 11 November 2014 in respect of Council spending on consultants, I am now able to provide the response.

You requested:

- “1. How much money has Hamilton City Council spent on consultant fees in the past four years, dated from October 9, 2010? I would like these figures broken down on a yearly basis.
2. Can you please itemize what these amounts were spent on?”

In the first instance, I will draw your attention to the information provided on a quarterly basis to our Finance Committee. This information has been provided to the Committee for a number of years and is in a public report. I enclose a link to the last report for your information [Procurement Report Finance Committee -20th November 2014. Item 12 Page 117.](#)

For the purpose of this report a consultant has been defined as a company or individual who provides professional advice in one of the following categories.

- *Professional Services Panel (this covers Professional Engineering based services)*
- *Sub Regional Growth Strategy/District Plan Review*
- *Valuation*
- *Legal Services*
- *Recruitment/Temping*
- *Financial/HR*
- *IT*
- *Other*

The total spend by Financial year on consultants is:

Overall Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 12,818,725.46
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 12,790,082.57
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 15,958,334.60
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 3,760,380.00

As per your request this is broken down into spend in the following categories:

Professional Services Panel Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 6,701,320.30
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 6,735,371.95
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 7,286,797.89

1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 1,442,851.00
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District Plan and Sub Regional Growth Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 403,007.49
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 428,954.53
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 982,004.40
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 116,033.00

Valuation Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 422,058.06
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 628,550.14
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 535,408.38
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 246,945.00

Legal Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 1,789,334.93
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 1,688,760.57
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 2,383,132.21
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 611,312.00

Recruitment/Temp Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 626,437.78
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 600,959.28
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 513,875.93
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 196,067.00

Financial/HR Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 956,849.19
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 833,257.77
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 1,008,227.15
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 349,646.00

IT Consultant Spend By Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 504,885.38
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 637,927.69
1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 2,027,937.57
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 658,450.00

Other Consultant Spend by Financial Year

Period	Amount
1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$ 1,414,832.33
1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013	\$ 1,236,300.64

1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014	\$ 1,220,951.07
1 July 2014 to 30 September 2014 YTD	\$ 234,253.00

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

On Behalf of the Privacy Officer

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From: Mary Birch

Sent: Friday, 14 November 2014 7:26 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Official Information Act request - spending on consultants

Dear [REDACTED]

I write to acknowledge your information request of 11 November 2014 in respect of council spending on consultants.

Please be advised that your request has been passed on to the relevant teams within Council and you will be informed of the outcome.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

On Behalf of the Privacy Officer

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