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Tēnā koe ██████████

Thank you for your Official Information Act request to the Department of Conservation, received on 05 June 2021 in which you asked for:

...the following information in relation to the Arthurs Pass Destination Investment Framework report”:

- *What was the cost of this report, prepared by Stafford Strategy?*
- *Other parties are named in the report as part of a Project Steering Group (Ngai Tahu, Selwyn DC, NZTA, MBIE, Kiwirail). Were these other parties co-funders of the report, and if so, what was their contribution to the cost of the report?*
- *Was there a tender for this work? If so, who were the other bidders?*
- *Please provide the tender documentation.*

Your questions and our responses are listed below:

1. *What was the cost of this report, prepared by Stafford Strategy?*

Our records indicate that two payments were made in relation to this in May and June 2020, totalling \$124,453.95.

2. *Other parties are named in the report as part of a Project Steering Group (Ngai Tahu, Selwyn DC, NZTA, MBIE, Kiwirail). Were these other parties co-funders of the report, and if so, what was their contribution to the cost of the report?*

There were no co-funders to the Report.

3. *Was there a tender for this work? If so, who were the other bidders?*

There was a tender process and we received a total of six responses, from the following:

Boffa Miskell Limited
Eliot Sinclair & Partners Limited
Glasson Huxtable Limited
Isthmus Group Limited
Stafford Strategy
TRC Tourism

4. Please provide the tender documentation.

Documents released in OIAD-1091 Attachments A & B. Summarised in the table below.

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
<i>Item no.</i>	<i>Full date of document</i>	<i>Name of document. If a series of emails refer to it as emails on the topic</i>	<i>Released in full / Released in part -</i>
A-1	29 June 2016	Research Report, Arthur's Pass National Park	Released in full
B-1	Template	Template - DOC Independent Contract Agreement	Released in full
B-2	December 2019	Request for Proposal – Arthur's Pass Destination and Investment Framework	Released in full
B-3	December 2019	Template – Participants Response Document – Arthur's Pass Destination and Investment Framework	Released in full

In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the Official Information Act.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the Official Information Act.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and enclosed documents may be published on the Department's website.

If you wish to discuss this with the Department, please contact Nick Pearce, Programme Manager, Experience Design Team on 027 257 4168 or by email npearce@doc.govt.nz.

Nāku noa, nā



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