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Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your Official Information Act request regarding the Māori Digital Technology Development Fund (the Fund), received on 5 December 2017. You requested information as follows:

"For clarity can you please confirm:

1. There has only been the one call for applications [for the Fund] (in 2016)
2. There have been no other funds disbursed other than operational costs e.g. to targeted initiatives
3. Total amount of fund spent in its lifetime, separated to grants and operational costs."

Information being released

The answers to your information requests follow below:

1. There has only been one call for applications to the Fund. The first funding round opened in October 2016 and concluded in June 2017.
2. The funding allocated to the Fund is used to fund grants to successful applicants and Te Puni Kōkiri operational costs associated with establishing and administering the Fund.
3. As mentioned in answer 2, there are two parts to the Fund: grant costs and operational costs.

(a) Grants

The full amount of grants paid from the Fund, up to and including 31 October 2017, was \$1.600 million (see Table 1 on page 2).

(b) Operational costs

Operational costs include both directly attributable costs as well as indirect costs (e.g. overhead costs). From our records we can confirm exact amounts for directly



attributable operational costs. Up to and including 31 October 2017 direct costs of the Fund totalled \$0.377 million (see table below).

Indirect operational costs are attributed across Te Puni Kōkiri based on activity and resourcing assumptions. A portion of these costs will have been incurred to support activities and resources associated with the staff (and panel) that manage the Fund, but no specific amount can be attributed to this programme. Therefore we are unable to provide you with the precise amount of indirect costs incurred for the Fund.

	Grants In \$ millions	Direct Operational Costs In \$ millions
2014/15	-	0.029
2015/16	-	0.128
2016/17	1.033	0.173
2017/18 (1 July to 31 October 2017)	0.567	0.047
Total	1.600	0.377

I trust you find my reply helpful.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

Ngā mihi



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