

Reference Number: 2026/1380

25 May 2026



Tēnā Koe I Dear

Thank you for your email dated 30 April 2026 requesting information on Museum and Gallery funding under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Please see below a response to each part of your request.

The amount of funding your Council has provided to public museums and galleries for each of the last 10 financial years

We have understood this request to mean funding for purposes other than funding for acquisitions and other items requested in your following question.

The following table is the funding provided which totals to \$64,023.00 for the ten years.

		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
1	Te Awahou Nieuwe Sroom- Piri harake & Oranjehof Museum Spaces	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,056	5,732	10,086	8,625	34,499
2	Te Awahou Nieuwe Sroom - Māpuna Kabinet Art Gallery	-	2,802	4,639	3,899	2,917	2,994	2,789	2,213	4,859	2,412	29,523
3	Te Takeretanga o Kura hau pō – Exhibition Space	-	2,802	4,639	3,899	2,917	2,994	12,845	7,945	14,945	11,038	64,023

The amount (if any) allocated specifically for acquisitions of art and other items for museums and galleries for each of the last 10 financial years

No funding for acquisitions and other items have been paid by Council within the ten year timeframe requested. The exhibits are either on loan, donated or private art pieces on display. Please note that over the last 10 years Council has on occasion paid for items such as furniture, audio visual equipment and lightening, all in common areas shared by museum and gallery areas. Due to the circumstances the amount of these items utilised directly by the museum or gallery spaces cannot be ascertained.

The two amounts above as a percentage of total Council spending for each financial year.

We are unclear as to the parameters of your statement of “total Council spending” so have not been able to supply the percentages requested. The Council spending is available in the Financial Statements and tables in the Council’s Annual Reports which are available [online](#).

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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If you would like to discuss this decision or any of the information provided as part of this request, please contact Daniel Haigh (Acting Group Manager Organisation Performance) on danielh@horowhenua.govt.nz, or LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi | Best regards



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