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Official information Request: Museum and gallery funding

I am writing to you in response to your request received 30 April for information relating to museum and gallery funding by Council.

We have assessed your request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). I have received information to provide the following responses to your specific questions:

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

FY	Total Funding	% of total Expenditure
2015/16	65,800.00	0.37%
2016/17	57,500.00	0.32%
2017/18	35,000.00	0.19%
2018/19	49,000.00	0.24%
2019/20	46,000.00	0.20%
2020/21	37,716.50	0.14%
2021/22	45,000.00	0.16%
2022/23	45,000.00	0.13%
2023/24	15,000.00	0.04%
2024/25	7,000.00	0.02%

- 2. 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**

We do not specifically allocate any funding for acquisitions of art and other items for museums or galleries.

- 3. The two amounts above as a percentage of total Council spending for each financial year.**
Refer to table above.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. If this request is selected it will be published at <https://swdc.govt.nz/lgoima-proactive-release/>, with your personal information removed.

You have a right to request a review by the Ombudsman on this response. Further information about this process can be found on <https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/what-ombudsman-can-help/complaints-about-government-agencies/how-make-complaint> or email info@ombudsman.parliament.nz

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Stefan Corbett', written over a horizontal line.

Stefan Corbett
Group Manager, Corporate Services