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**Re: Official Information Act request – Strike Costs**

I refer to your Official Information Act request dated 30 October 2019 requesting the following information.

**Pursuant to s 12 of the Official information Act 1982, the Association of Professional and Executive Employees (APEX) requests Auckland District Health Board (the DHB) to provide the following information in relation to the Medical Laboratory Workers (MLW) strike that has taken place on 11 October 2019:**

- 1. Any remuneration, including but not limited to incentives, of Laboratory Workers and any other employee for work carried out as a result of the strike actions.**

\$1900

- 2. Any ancillary costs incurred by the DHB as a result of the strike action including, but not limited to, meals provided, business related travel and accommodation and/or alternative days off.**

Nil.

- 3. Further to item (1) above, detail of all costs associated with and time spent by any other staff such as administrators, payroll staff and managers undertaking tasks resulting from the strike action including, but not limited to, rescheduling of patients, contingency planning, calculating pay alterations as a result of strike action, drafting communication with the public and other staff regarding the strike.**

It has not been possible to capture all costs associated with and time spent by any other staff including contingency planning, calculating pay alterations, and drafting communications and

this part of your request is refused under section 18(e) in that the document containing the information does not exist.

**4. The loss of revenue from rescheduling of surgeries and clinics during the period of the strike.**

Nil

You are entitled to seek a review of the response by the Ombudsman under section 28(3) of the Official Information Act. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that this response, or an edited version of this response, may be published on the Auckland DHB website.

Yours faithfully



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**Chief Executive**