

8 May 2019

Ian Harrison

Via email: [REDACTED]

Dear Ian

On 18 April you made a request under provisions of the Official Information Act (the OIA) seeking:

documents relating to the Reserve Bank's attendance of the Network for Central Banks and Supervisors for Greening the Financial System meeting in Paris.

You, subsequently confirmed that you are only seeking information on who from the Reserve Bank attended the conference and details of travel expenses (including class of travel) and the related budget.

Two representatives from the Reserve Bank of New Zealand attended the Network of Central Banks and Supervisors for Greening the Financial System (NGFS) meetings and annual conference in Paris on 16-18 April. They were Toby Fiennes, Head of Financial System Policy and Analysis and Kevin Hoskin, Adviser in the Financial System Policy and Analysis team. Attendance at this meeting involved relationship building and face-to-face discussions which inform the Reserve Bank's work in this important area.

Toby Fiennes attended the NGFS plenary meeting and conference in Paris as part of a trip that included four days in Washington DC to attend the World Bank Group International Monetary Fund Spring Meetings. Budget details relating to his full trip are provided below. Kevin Hoskin's trip was specifically to attend the conference in Paris and the associated working group meeting.

The costs provided are budgeted costs as all final costs have yet to be confirmed and reconciled.

Toby Fiennes:

- Trip to Washington for Spring meetings and to Paris for NGFS conference 10 – 21 April
- Air fares, business class: \$9,353
- Accommodation: Washington \$2,014; Paris \$900
- Insurance, ground transport and meals: \$854
- Total: \$13,121

Kevin Hoskin:

- Trip to Paris for NGFS conference 15 – 20 April
- Air fares, business class: \$8,385
- Accommodation: \$1,265
- Insurance, ground transport and meals: \$881*

- Total: \$10,531

*This budget figure was based on Kevin attending to the Spring Meetings in Washington DC as well but it was subsequently decided that this wasn't necessary.

This travel and accommodation spending is in accordance with the Reserve Bank's Travel Policy.

The Reserve Bank will publish this response to your request, at www.rbnz.govt.nz/research-and-publications/official-information-requests.

You have the right to seek a review of the Bank's decision under section 28 of the OIA.

Yours sincerely



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