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Thank you for your emails dated 26 October and 1 November 2023 to Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities' Media Enquiries email address. Parts of your email, asking for the following information was interpreted as a request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

*How much has been spend on renovations? vs New builds?'*

Your request was later clarified to:

*Could you please give costs for all retrofit work in Invercargill over the three-year period from 1 July 2020 to today, and costs for all new public housing delivery in Invercargill for the same period (including new build and acquisitions)?*

*Could you please give costs for all retrofit work in Dunedin over the three-year period from 1 July 2020 to today, and costs for all new public housing delivery in Dunedin for the same period (including new build and acquisitions)?*

I have consulted with the relevant staff and respond to your requests below.

#### *Costs for New Builds*

From 1 July 2020 to 31 October 2023, Kāinga Ora spent \$31,799,675 on new builds for public housing delivery in Dunedin, which includes redevelopments of Kāinga Ora sites, and new homes acquired from developers and off the market. For the same period in Invercargill, Kāinga Ora spent \$22,316,704 on redevelopments, and acquired homes.

#### *Renovations (renewal & maintenance and retrofits)*

Kāinga Ora does not specifically record renovations. However, it does record work that can be considered as such as part of the renewal and maintenance of its properties and through its Retrofit Programme. Through its Retrofit Programme from 1 July 2020 to 31 October 2023, Kāinga Ora spent \$19,102,030 in Dunedin and \$18,013,133 in Invercargill. Both theses figures include GST.

From 1 July 2020 to 31 October 2023, Kāinga Ora spent \$42,985,674 on renewal and maintenance in Dunedin, and \$12,621,500 in Invercargill. For Kāinga Ora, renewal and maintenance includes:

- completed work orders
- responsive repairs
- routine maintenance
- reinstatement costs.
- maintenance programmes
- planned programmes
- survey and inspection costs

More information about the Kāinga Ora Retrofit and Build Programmes can be found here:

- [https://kaingaora.govt.nz/to\\_TO/urban-development-and-public-housing/public-housing/kainga-ora-retrofit-programme/](https://kaingaora.govt.nz/to_TO/urban-development-and-public-housing/public-housing/kainga-ora-retrofit-programme/)
- [https://kaingaora.govt.nz/en\\_NZ/urban-development-and-public-housing/](https://kaingaora.govt.nz/en_NZ/urban-development-and-public-housing/)

More information can also be found in Kāinga Ora annual reports here:

- [https://kaingaora.govt.nz/en\\_NZ/publications/core-publications/annual-report/](https://kaingaora.govt.nz/en_NZ/publications/core-publications/annual-report/).

Please note that Kāinga Ora proactively releases our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request may be published at <https://kaingaora.govt.nz/publications/official-information-requests/> with your personal information removed.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Kelly  
**Manager Government Relations**