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Kia ora

I am writing in response to your official information request dated 28 September 2026 regarding expenditure in relation to the Head Start programme.

The information you have requested is set out below.

1. Total contractor and consultant expenditure

The total amount spent on contractors and consultants in relation to the Head Start programme between 5 May 2026 and 28 September 2026 was \$16,911.82 excluding GST.

2. Breakdown of expenditure

Date	Amount (excluding GST)	Supplier	Description
August 2026	\$5,250.03	Horizons Regional Council	Tararua District Council share of regional financial modelling costs
August 2026	\$2,110.42	Horizons Regional Council	Tararua District Council share of regional financial modelling costs
August 2026	\$509.55	Horizons Regional Council	Tararua District Council share of regional financial modelling costs
August 2026	\$641.82	Horizons Regional Council	Tararua District Council share of regional financial modelling costs
July 2026	\$4,378.50	Morrison Low	Financial modelling
June 2026	\$1,401.75	Morrison Low	Financial modelling
May 2026	\$2,619.75	Morrison Low	Financial modelling

The work undertaken by Morrison Low related to financial modelling.

The amounts recorded against Horizons Regional Council relate to financial modelling work commissioned regionally by Horizons Regional Council and undertaken by Morrison Low. The costs were apportioned amongst the participating councils, and the amounts shown above represent Tararua District Council's share of those costs.

No other contractor or consultant costs have been identified in relation to the Head Start programme during the period covered by your request. All other work associated with the Head Start programme was completed internally by Council staff.

Ngā mihi



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Subject: Head Start programme expenditure

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Dear Tararua District Council,

I request the following information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987:

1. The total amount spent on contractors and consultants in relation to the Head Start programme from 5 May 2026 to the date of your response.
2. A breakdown by supplier showing the amount paid, the work undertaken, and the date or period of the work.

Please state whether the amounts include GST.

Kind regards,

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