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Crux
C/- Peter Newport
Sent via email to peter.newport@crux.org.nz

Request for Official Information LG26-0024 - COST OF CCTV CAMERAS

Dear Peter,

Thank you for your request for information held by the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC). On 26 January 2026 you requested the following information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA):

- **The cost of CCTV [Closed-Circuit Television] cameras for the duration of the contract with Cougar Security.**

QLDC RESPONSE

In response to your request, we consulted with the QLDC Property and Infrastructure Team.

Decision to release information

QLDC has calculated the total investment in new Closed-Circuit Television (CCTV) installations, as well as the renewal and replacement of existing CCTV camera hardware across the district for the duration of the contract with Cougar Security (which commenced on 1 March 2019), as outlined below. This investment reflects the operational requirements of the network and includes expenditure associated with:

- Replacement of aged CCTV hardware
- Project-related installations delivered through the Central Business District
- Transport upgrade programmes
- Replacement of vandalised assets
- Wildfire monitoring and discharge point surveillance
- Water bore monitoring

The tables below outline the function, number and cost of CCTV cameras across the network.

Queenstown

Function	Number of CCTV Cameras	Total Value (GST included) NZ\$
Regulatory / Crime Prevention	76	64,640
Safety	193	148,225
Crime Prevention	55	81,730
Total	324	294,595

Please note that in Queenstown, regulatory cameras also serve a crime prevention function and are therefore dual-purpose.

Wānaka

Function	Number of CCTV Cameras	Total Value (GST included) NZ\$
Regulatory / Crime Prevention	0	0
Safety	63	44,710
Crime Prevention	37	53,480
Total	100	98,190

Accordingly, the total investment in CCTV cameras across QLDC since 2019 is \$392,785 (including GST).

Right to review the above decision

Note that you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about this process is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please contact Naell.Crosby-Roe@qldc.govt.nz (Director Democracy Services).

We trust that the above information satisfactorily answers your request.

Kind regards,
Larissa

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