



5 November 2024

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Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, received on 22 October 2024, in which you asked:

*'How much money has been spent on the Chateau Tongariro since its closure last year, with a breakdown, as much as possible, of those costs? (eg: security, maintenance).'*

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982.

The Department's total costs to operate and maintain the Chateau between March 2023 and September 2024 are \$2.573 million which is broken down as follows:

- \$1,647,371: Administration costs which includes insurance, maintenance, utilities and security
- \$610,268: General operating costs which includes equipment, trade work, travel, traps and consultant costs.
- \$315,457: Personnel costs including staff costs and sundry expenses

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Department's website.

If you would like to discuss this response with us, please contact Julie Chuor, Project Lead by email to [jchuor@doc.govt.nz](mailto:jchuor@doc.govt.nz).

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