Reply 53786 (2025). Camilla Belich to Minister for ACC:

What was the total expenditure, if any, by agencies for which the Minister is responsible, if any, since 27 November 2023 on (a) branding, marketing, or promotional materials; (b) consultants or contractors engaged for branding, internal communications, or culture-related projects; (c) novelty or promotional items such as (but not limited to) pens, stress balls, model animals, or branded clothing; (d) office furnishings, décor, or recreational equipment; (e) non-essential electrical items or appliances; (f) staff wellbeing or break-room facilities; (g) novelty, decorative, or entertainment items, whether purchased or hired; (h) repairs, replacements, or damages to property or hired items; and (i) expenditure recorded under "miscellaneous" or "other" cost categories, listed by agency, date, purpose, supplier, and total cost?

ACC has been able to collate the following expenditure:

(a) branding, marketing, or promotional materials;

$395,706 with Premium Supply Chain.

(b) consultants or contractors engaged for branding, internal communications, or culture-related projects;

$644,368 was spent on the independent review into ACC workplace culture, whilst there is no spend for branding or internal communications.

(c) novelty or promotional items such as (but not limited to) pens, stress balls, model animals, or branded clothing;

$277,819 with Premium Supply Chain.

(d) office furnishings, décor, or recreational equipment;

ACC advises me it currently manages 24 operational sites/properties across New Zealand, and spent $4,184,289 on office chairs, desks, collab furniture, privacy booths, meeting pods, lockers, etc.

The bulk of this spend was attributed to the new Ōtepoti building in Dunedin, which brings together around 800 people previously spread across four locations. It also includes expenses attributed to other consolidation activities and site refreshes around New Zealand.

(e) non-essential electrical items or appliances;

None.

(f) staff wellbeing or break-room facilities;

None, as these facilities in the new or refreshed sites were fitted with existing or redistributed furniture. Furniture associated with staff break-room facilities is included in (d) above.

(g) novelty, decorative, or entertainment items, whether purchased or hired;

As part of the new and refreshed facilities noted in (d) above, ACC advises me it spent $103,240 on decorative items.

(h) repairs, replacements, or damages to property or hired items; and

ACC has an ongoing property management plan which includes periodic repairs and replacement of equipment to ensure that their facilities remain fit for purpose. Over the specified period, ACC spent $989,095 on maintaining its 24 properties across New Zealand. Additionally, $91,780 was spent on updated signage at multiple ACC sites, from suppliers Sharp Signs, Sign Biz, and Fulton Hogan.

(i) expenditure recorded under “miscellaneous” or “other” cost categories,

ACC recorded $1,305,070 under a “miscellaneous expenses” cost category during the specified timeframe. These costs relate to board and committee fees, representation expenses, other insurances, advertising tendering/requests for proposal, koha and gift vouchers, and general expenses.