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**Request
from:**

For: Cost of Artificial Turf & Associated Maintenance at Upper Trafalgar
Street

**Response
by:**

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Ref: SR2007037

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Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST FOR COSTS OF ARTIFICIAL TURF AND ASSOCIATED MAINTENANCE AT UPPER TRAFALGAR STREET

I refer to your official information request dated 25 February 2020 for costs associated with the installation of artificial turf at Upper Trafalgar Street (between Hardy Street and Selwyn Place). This request also pertains to NCC Service Request SR2007037.

The information you requested is enclosed.

Purpose of Installing Artificial Turf

The artificial turf being installed on Upper Trafalgar Street represents the initial launch of a wider programme of Tactical Urbanism Initiatives (TUI). TUI represents temporary placemaking measures applied to spaces in Nelson City Centre. These space trials aim to make the city more inviting for people and families to linger, spending time and visit our great collection of museums, restaurants, local businesses and shops.

Upper Trafalgar Street – a fun place to hang out

Upper Trafalgar Street is being transformed as part of Council's City Centre Development Programme.

The latest updates, including artificial turf, multipurpose seating/planter boxes, hammock seats, picnic tables and bean bags, are being installed in the coming weeks.

The current "tactical" work is temporary over the next 6-12 months to gauge how people use the recently pedestrianised street. This will inform us of how we might make more permanent changes to Upper Trafalgar Street and other spaces. Temporary items will be reused in other city centre locations.

The new additions are popular with young and old, so keep an eye out when you are looking for a fun place to hang out in our Smart Little City.

Total Cost for Artificial Turf: \$31,032 (excluding contingency and GST)

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*Turf re-use and relocation: NCC expects the artificial turf in Upper Trafalgar Street to be re-used over time in different City Centre locations. As such, the initial investment of this product is expected to provide further benefit across multiple sites well into the future.

Artificial Turf Installation

Contractor: NELMAC

*Installation estimate: \$3,000-\$5,000 (*installation is not yet complete)*

Maintenance

Given the nature and durability of the artificial turf product, minimal maintenance is expected, at no additional cost to ratepayers. Existing street cleaning contracts for Upper Trafalgar Street will continue to provide the necessary street maintenance, such as washing, leaf removal for the artificial turf areas that the paved surfaces would receive.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact City Development Team Leader, Lisa Gibellini at lisa.gibellini@ncc.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Clare Barton', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Clare Barton

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