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**From:** official information  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 12 May 2021 13:08  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** official information  
**Subject:** RESPONSE: LGOIMA 21142 - [REDACTED] - Costs Relating to Road Construction and All Relevant Comms.

Kia Ora [REDACTED]

**RE: Costs Relating to Road Construction and All relevant Comms. LGOIMA 21142**

Further to your email received on Monday 19 April 2021 requesting information on the trial closure of Ward street, please find our response below.

**Request (1)**

What work, if any, has the council carried out over the last 5 years exploring the cost implications of bringing road construction and maintenance work in house to the council?

Follow up (Clarification) received 29 April 2021: *the establishment of a unit to undertake the work, instead of contracting to private entities to undertake the work.*

**Response (1)**

Over the last five years we have not actively considered bringing road construction and maintenance work in house to Council.

The provision of road construction and maintenance activities is a key consideration for delivering a transport network that is safe, adaptable and resilient to change. To ensure we optimise the delivery of these activities our teams have a focus on providing 1) agreed levels of service, 2) continuous improvements, and 3) innovation.

To ensure we leverage the expertise, including latest materials, work and health & safety practices, plant and machinery etc, we partner to preferred suppliers (determined through an open tendering process) from the roading contract industry to provide these services.

If you have any concerns with the decision referred to in this response, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

For your information, the Ombudsman's contact details are:

**Email:** [info@ombudsman.parliament.nz](mailto:info@ombudsman.parliament.nz)

**Post:** PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143

**Telephone:** 0800 802 602

Kind Regards,

**Tatiyana** | Official Information & Legal Support Advisor

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**From:** official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>

**Sent:** Thursday, 29 April 2021 12:05 AM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Cc:** official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>

**Subject:** Clarification Request: LGOIMA 21142 - [REDACTED] - Costs Relating to Road Construction and All Relevant Comms.

Kia ora [REDACTED]

We are writing to request clarification on one of your questions, specifically -

*What work, if any, has the council carried out over the last 5 years exploring the cost implications of bringing road construction and maintenance work in house to the council?*

In relation to the question above can you please clarify:

*What does it mean by "In house" ie: setting up a sole unit to undertake these duties?*

It is unclear from the wording of the question what information you are seeking.

Could you please provide a response to this request for clarification by **6 May 2021**. If we cannot get a clear understanding of this part of your request Council may consider refusing to provide information for the following reasons:

- Section 17(e) – the document that contains the information requested does not exist or can't be found.
- Section 17(g) – the information requested is not held, and Hamilton City Council does not believe the information is held by, or is more closely connected with the functions of, any other local authority or Minister.

Please also note, as we have requested this clarification within the 7 working day timeframe set out in LGOIMA, a due date for part of your response will be changed to 20 days from the date we receive your response to this email.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

**Tatiyana** | Official Information & Legal Support Advisor

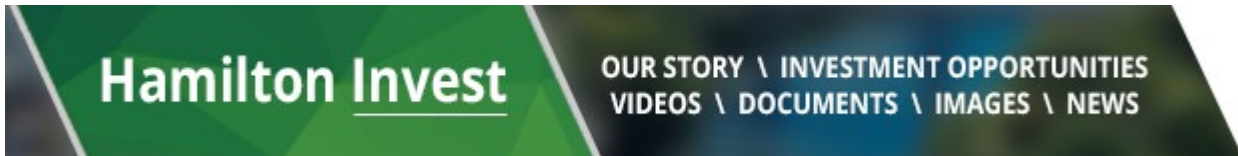
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, 23 April 2021 10:39 am  
**To:** official information <[officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz](mailto:officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz)>  
**Subject:** Official Information Request

To whom it may concern.

I would like to request the following information:

- What work, if any, has the council carried out over the last 5 years exploring the cost implications of bringing road construction and maintenance work in house to the council?
- All documents related to the above work

I look forward to hearing from you.

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[REDACTED]