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Subject: RE: FINAL RESPONSE: LGOIMA 212303 - [REDACTED] AUT - Council initiatives on sport and physical activity - 2018-2021
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Sincere apologies [REDACTED],

Appendices are now attached.

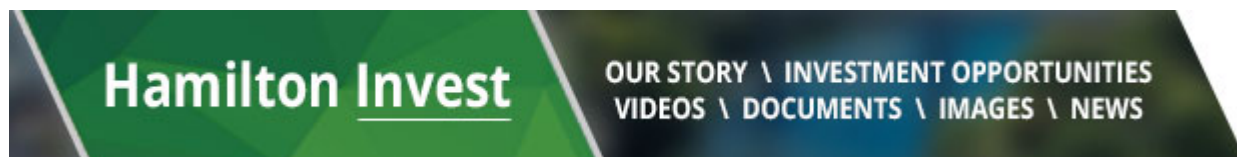
Kind regards,

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Kia Ora,

I refer to your **information request below**, Hamilton City Council is able to provide the following response.

Request (1): A list of initiatives of active recreation for youth that each council funds.

Response (1): Hamilton City Council **Transport Unit** oversee the following active recreation initiatives for youth, in partnership with other stakeholders such as Sport Waikato and other local government agencies.

- Bike Programme 'Kids on Bikes'
- Kids on Bikes school holiday programmes (Terms 1,3,4)
- Walking School Buses
- Happy Feet Programme
- Campaigns promoting active travel in schools

Refer to Appendix A (attached) for more information about Transport Unit initiatives.

Hamilton City Council **Community Services Unit** oversee Learn to Swim programmes at both aquatic sites (Waterworld and Gallagher Aquatic Centre) and contribute funding to The Peak Rototuna, which is used predominantly for secondary school sport.

Refer Appendix B (attached) for more information about Learn to Swim.

Request (2): The total investment

Response (2): The combined total investment on active recreation initiatives for youth by Hamilton City Council can be found in Table 1 below.

Table 1

Year 1 Jul to 30 Jun	2018/19 (\$)	2019/20 (\$)	2020/21 (\$)
Transport Unit initiatives*	188,664	159,031	167,283
Learn to Swim	364,606	457,795	346,339
The Peak Rototuna	120,000	120,000	120,000
Total investment	553,270	736,826	633,622

*This includes 51% investment from Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency – please see this breakdown below.

Transport Unit Breakdown	2018/19 (\$)	2019/20 (\$)	2020/21 (\$)
Waka Kotahi	96,219	81,106	85,314
HCC	92,445	77,925	81,969

Hamilton City Council have also supported and encouraged active recreation for youth indirectly via Community Grant Funding for sport and recreation and investment in our play spaces (includes playgrounds and skate parks) and sports fields and parks, as shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2

Year 1 Jul to 30 Jun	2018/19 (\$)	2019/20 (\$)	2020/21 (\$)
Community Grant Funding	18,300	24,200	53,720
Play spaces	1,402,325	970,919	2,263,840
Sports fields and parks	413,757	2,852,781	1,544,139
Total investment	1,834,382	3,847,900	3,861,699

Request (3): Strategic documents on active recreation.

Response (3):

Hamilton City Council's Transport Unit considers the [Active Travel Action Plan](#) when implementing active recreation for youth. This plan is part of the [Access Hamilton Strategy](#) which is currently under review.

Hamilton City Council's Community Services Unit considers the recently adopted Aquatic Strategy when implementing the Learn to Swim programme. Refer Appendix B for more information.

Hamilton City Council's Community Group considers [HCC's Play Strategy](#) when delivering against investment in play spaces.

Request (4): If an evaluation of the strategy/initiative has been completed, the date and outcome of the evaluation.

Response (4): The [Access Hamilton Strategy](#) is currently under review. Hamilton City Council Transport Unit initiatives as listed in Response 1 are monitored and reviewed 30 June each year. This information is supplied to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency NZ.

The Learn to Swim programme was reviewed in 2021. In 2022 the new curriculum will be launched with a focus on fundamental swimming skills translating to swimming in natural water sources.

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 or freephone 0800 802 602.

Kind Regards,

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Subject: LGOIMA 212303 - [REDACTED] AUT - Council initiatives on sport and physical activity - 2018-2021

Kia Ora,

I write to acknowledge your information request of Friday 15 October 2021 as below.

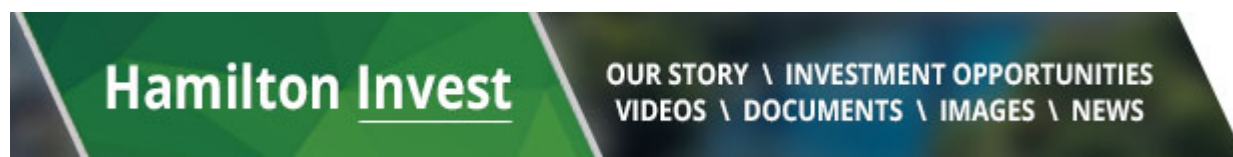
Please be advised that your request has been passed on to the relevant team within Council and you will be informed of the outcome.

The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 requires that we advise you of our decision on whether the Council will provide the requested information as soon as reasonably practicable, and no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. We will respond to you no later than Monday 15 November 2021.

In light of the recent announcement regarding COVID-19 and New Zealand's Alert level 3, the safety of our employees is paramount. We've made necessary changes to our working environment and operations that may result in limited availability of some of our staff members. We appreciate your patience during this time. Please allow some extra time for a response to your request as we are all doing our best to accommodate the new circumstances.

Kind Regards,

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Appendix A – Hamilton City Council Active Transport Initiatives

Hamilton City Council Transportation Unit support the below initiatives to encourage and increase use of active transport modes around schools. Encouraging active transport with school students creates good habits for future transport choices, whilst decreasing road congestion and emissions. Benefits of active transport for youth, aligns with an increase in physical activity and overall wellbeing.

Active transport to and from school is an easy way for students to include physical activity into their day. Hamilton City Council continue to encourage schools to promote active travel and support them with ideas and initiatives. From 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2021, Hamilton City Council have supported the following initiatives:

Bike Programme ‘Kids on Bikes’

Kids on bikes (KOB) is an initiative run by Hamilton City Council within schools. KOB has been running for 3 years and in this time 35 schools (4,200 students), predominately primary, have been visited, some schools more than once.

The programme focuses on giving the students the skills necessary to be able to ride a bike confidently. This develops skills necessary to be able to ride not only to and from school but around their neighbourhoods and communities safely.

Hamilton City Council have a small fleet of bikes and 3 qualified instructors, supporting all schools and offering all students equal opportunity to take part in the programme.

Kids on Bikes school holiday programmes

A programme run during school holidays, focuses on off roading skills.

With many recreational off-road bike paths and tracks in Hamilton, this programme builds confidence and skills and encourages more children to get active and explore the city.

Walking School Buses

Hamilton City Council encourages and supports schools to develop Walking School Buses (WSB). A Walking School Bus is a designated route to and/or from school, under the supervision of adult volunteers (often parents), who act as the Walking School Bus ‘driver’.

Walking School Buses reduce the number of cars on the road, making our environment safer and cleaner, whilst providing active exercise for children in a fun and social way.

Happy Feet Programme

Happy Feet is a pre-school programme designed for children aged 3 – 5 years, promoting supervised walking and wheeling. This program helps reduce congestion near early learning facilities whilst encouraging great habits in our young for a healthier active future generation.

Hamilton City Council supports approximately 22 Early Childhood Education centres. The Happy Feet programme provides mapping safer routes, communication with parents/teachers and active travel resources.

Campaigns promoting active travel around schools

Individual campaigns are another way in which Hamilton City Council encourages and promotes active transport around schools.

‘Mix it up!’ travel campaigns such as ‘park and stride’, ‘mix it up vouchers’ and ‘walk and wheel’ encourage youth to use alternative active modes of travel to and from school. These campaigns are promoted in school terms 1 and 4 when the weather improves, encouraging outdoor activities.

Car Free Day is celebrated each year around the world on 22 September. This campaign is directed at all private vehicle uses, including promoting via schools and aims to encourage parents to leave the car at home and try another mode of transport.

Appendix B – Hamilton City Council aquatic facilities and Learn to Swim

Hamilton City Council's aquatic facilities provide opportunities for aquatic sports clubs to offer Learn to Swim programmes, training within a variety of aquatic sports and pathways to competitive high-performance sport. Waterworld specifically is a facility of regional significance able to host FINA Level 2 accredited swimming events of which a high proportion would be youth competitors.

Aquatic facilities future focus aligns with the Aquatic Strategy to achieve the Water Safety – Haumaru Wai outcome: Aquatic Facilities complement the use of natural water sources for swimming and recreation and support safer use of these spaces.

The goal is together with our partner, we provide programmes and services to support safer water use. We actively look for better ways to deliver the safer use of water messages to the wider community. The Learn to Swim programme addresses the skills and knowledge required for accessing a variety of water sources, including the Waikato River.