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Subject: Final response - LGOIMA 362229 - s7(2)(a) - stats on cyclist numbers
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Kia ora,

We refer to your information request below. Hamilton City Council provides the following response.

Your request:

1. *Has the Hamilton City council Transport and Infrastructure committee carried out a head count of number of Cyclists using the cycleways per day in a calender month?*
2. *Where does the same committee get the cyclists numbers from?*
3. *Has the same committee collated numbers of rural cyclist numbers given that the cycleways also extend out of the urban areas.*
4. *Do the members of the cycle groups assist the committee with information related to plans and cycleway positions as part of the CERF projects.*
5. *Who decides where the cycleways will go in the planning process?*

Our response:

1. **Has the Hamilton City council Transport and Infrastructure committee carried out a head count of number of Cyclists using the cycleways per day in a calender month?**

The main cycleways in Hamilton have publicly available count data available at this link: <https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrljoiMmI2MGUwNTAtODgzNC00M2MzLWJiMTYtZTZlZjhkMDIhOGRmliwidCI6ImViODEzNzU2LTBiMjUtNGQwYS05OTkxLWlxNGZkMjE2YTU1YyIsImMiOjEwfQ==>

2. **Where does the same committee get the cyclists numbers from?**

Cycle numbers for the Infrastructure & Transport Committee are drawn from the information in the link above. Also, we undertake annual cycling cordon counts at 7 suburban and 22 central city locations. This additional information is currently not on a public portal. The information to support the decision to remove roadside parking and improve cycle safety on Tuhikaramea Road is, in part, contained in Council's Biking & Micro-Mobility Programme Single Stage Business Case (July 2022). Link provided below.

<https://storage.googleapis.com/hccproduction-web-assets/public/Uploads/Documents/Content-Documents/Parking-and-Transport/Draft-Business-Case-Biking-and-Micrombility-Programme.pdf>

Whilst not specifically mentioning Tuhikaramea Road, the business case provides information on the development of Hamilton's Strategic Biking and Micro-Mobility Network Plan. As part of the verification process for this plan, a long-term cycling model was developed using a combination of various sources of information, including census travel data. The cycle model was undertaken to determine the likely uptake in biking

when the suitable infrastructure has been provided. In the overall city wide biking and micro-mobility network plan, Tuhikaramea Road is identified as a 'community link' which in time, once funding is made available, will see the provision of cycle lanes physically separated from the general traffic, unlike the painted lanes currently along the road. The removal of roadside parking is the first step towards creating a safer environment of people cycling in this area.

3. **Has the same committee collated numbers of rural cyclist numbers given that the cycleways also extend out of the urban areas.**

HCC doesn't undertake cycle counts outside the Hamilton City boundary.

<https://maps.hamilton.govt.nz/HCCDistrictPlan/> -there is map here you can use to see council boundary lines.

4. **Do the members of the cycle groups assist the committee with information related to plans and cycleway positions as part of the CERF projects.**

Cycle advocacy groups have the opportunity to speak about cycleway plans at the Infrastructure & Transport Committee in the Public Forum sessions. Council also engages with a number of stakeholder groups that is engaged with as part of the development process for Transportation projects.

5. **Who decides where the cycleways will go in the planning process?**

Council has adopted a city-wide biking and micro-mobility network plan as part of a business case. The business case and network plan has been endorsed by Waka Kotahi. The network plan identifies a hierarchy of destinations to connect and a network of infrastructure routes connecting these destinations. More information can be found about micro mobility here - <https://hamilton.govt.nz/parking-and-transport/transport/micro-mobility/>

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.

Ngaa mihi

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Sent: Thursday, 9 November 2023 4:58 pm
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Subject: Attn: Keeley Faulkner

Could you please supply information regarding the following:

- I) Has the Hamilton City council Transport and Infrastructure committee carried out a head count of number of Cyclists using the cycleways per day in a calender month?
- 11) Where does the same committee get the cyclists numbers from?
- III) Has the same committee collated numbers of rural cyclist numbers given that the cycleways also extend out of the urban areas.
- IIII) Do the members of the cycle groups assist the committee with information related to plans and cycleway positions as part of the CERF projects.
- IIII) Who decides where the cycleways will go in the planning process?

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Regards

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