

From: Keeley Faulkner
To: s7(2)(a)
Cc: Official Information
Subject: Final response - LGOIMA 375321 - s7(2)(a) - Hukanui Upgrade
Date: Friday, 9 February 2024 12:29:22 pm
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Kia ora,

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

Your request:

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What was the rationale for this change, to determine why this change has been promoted and approved by council

What is the cost of this change

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Our response:

Apologies for the delay in our response please see below

1. **Which councillors voted in favour of the decision to proceed.**

The above was resolved at the [7 March 2023 Infrastructure and Transport Committee](#) meeting. The Committee is made up the Mayor and all Councillors and Maangai Maaori member. Councillors Emma Pike and Geoff Taylor were not present for this agenda item.

Resolved

That the Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

a) receives the report;

b) approves the Climate Emergency Response Fund Initiative Funding Agreement project schedules as outlined in Attachment 1 of the report, subject to macroscope approval from the Infrastructure and Transport Committee which will be required for all projects valued \$1.5M, and the following projects #26 Killarney Road – Queens Avenue to Western Rail Trail (excluding rail crossings), #15 Hayes Paddock – community space, walking, cycling, public transport improvements, #5 Brooklyn Road – Pedestrian crossing and cycle facilities, #4 Heaphy Terrace – Boundary Rd to Brooklyn Rd cycling facilities #21 Horsham

Down Roads – public Transport, walking and cycling improvements (in-lane bus stops), #27 Anglesea St (south) - in-lane bus stop and walking improvements; and c) notes that the Climate Emergency Response Fund Initiative Funding Agreement project schedules and reports, including any required approvals and monitoring reports will be reported to the Infrastructure and Transport Committee.

It was a unanimous vote.

The above was resolved at the [17 October 2023 Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel](#) meeting. The members of the panel are Cr Mark Donovan, Cr Anna Casey-Cox, Cr Ewan Wilson, Cr Louise Hutt, Cr Maxine van Oosten and Deputy Mayor Angela O’Leary. Deputy Mayor Angela O’Leary was not present when this item was discussed at the meeting.

Resolved

That the Traffic, Speed Limit and Road Closure Hearings Panel:

- a) receives the report; and
- b) approves the changes to parking restrictions and controls as set out in the table below:

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Support Climate Emergency Response Fund (CERF) – Transport Choices project by:

- · Installation of 15m ‘Bus Stop’ restriction opposite #371 Hukanui Road.
- · Installation of 15m ‘Bus Stop’ restriction outside #375 Hukanui Road.
- · Rescind 15m ‘Bus Stop’ restriction outside #371 Hukanui Road.
- · Rescind 15m Bus Stop’ restriction opposite #373 Hukanui Road.

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It was a unanimous vote.

2. **How many injury accidents have been recorded with 250 m in either direction of this location within the last t years and how were these classified, in terms of minor, moderate, severe, and fatal.**

In the last five years, two recorded crashes have occurred within 250 metres either side of this location. One crash resulted in minor injury, while the other caused vehicle damage only.

3. **What was the rationale for this change, to determine why this change has been promoted and approved by council.**

In 2021 Council undertook an assessment of the public transport routes in the Rototuna area. This work was done in order for both Hamilton City Council and Waikato Regional Council to understand the infrastructure requirements and potential investment needed to improve service reliability and levels of service for customers. The overall objective of the assessment was to identify specific network issues and infrastructure opportunities in the Rototuna area. A number of improvements were identified, including the project at this location on Hukanui Road.

4. **What is the cost of this change.**

5. The budget for the project is \$800,000. Council’s contribution is \$80,000. NZTA Waka Kotahi are providing the rest of the funding.

6. **Has any input come from an environmental impact assessment with regard to slowing traffic and the increase in fossil fuels being burnt as a result of said change.**

No, the scale of the project did not require an environmental impact assessment to be undertaken.

7. **Has any assessment been undertaken to the likely impact if traffic back up in the northbound lane as far back as the Wairere/Hukanui roundabout.**

No, traffic modelling wasn't considered necessary as the impact from the project is expected to be less than minor. NZTA Waka Kotahi's national guidance on in-lane bus stops was used to determine the appropriateness of the project in this location, with in-lane bus stops recommended where there are fewer than 800 vehicles per hour travelling in the same direction as the bus. There are less than 800 vehicles per hour travelling in this direction along Hukanui Road (including during peak hour traffic). Since the project was substantially completed, site observations have indicated buses stopping in-lane are pausing general traffic by approximately 7 to 10 seconds. This level of delay is unlikely to impact overall journey times on this corridor and is not expected to impact traffic as far back as the Wairere Drive/Hukanui Road roundabout. The situation will continue to be monitored.

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.

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Detailed description of request

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Attachments

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24 December 2023 @ 11:22AM

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