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Subject: Part 2 - Final response - LGOIMA 381867 [REDACTED] - How much money spent on cones 2023
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Kia ora,

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

Your request:

I heard that the city council paid 700 thousand dollars to hire road cones to build a bus stop. Is this true ? How much does the city council spend on road cones a year?

Our response:

Council has not paid \$700,000 for road cones for a bus stop project, the information you have heard is incorrect.

The project that has recently been highlighted in the media was the Anglesea safety improvement project. This may be where the figure of \$700,000 has come from.

The total cost of the proposed project on Anglesea Street, which included the installation of signalised pedestrian facilities along with relocation of a bus stop and provision of bus shelters was budgeted at \$700,000. Traffic management costs were budgeted at \$130,000 to provide safety for people moving through the work site and the workers at the site and would have been provided via the physical works contractor. More information about what was proposed for this project is available here <https://hamilton.govt.nz/strategies-plans-and-projects/projects/city-wide-transport/anglesea-street-bus-stop-upgrade/>

Waka Kotahi set the requirements around the traffic management that Council must follow. Traffic management services (which includes traffic management, signage and road cones) are managed by the contractors or operational staff who undertake maintenance or deliver projects and on Council's behalf. Traffic management is provided for in project budgets, noting that traffic cones are not a separated costing in these budgets, so we are unable to provide the specific value of expenditure relating to the use of road cones. All operational and maintenance tasks undertaken on or near roads are also subject to traffic management requirements. Where possible traffic management for maintenance and operational activities are undertaken by internal qualified staff. Where activities are undertaken by contractors; traffic management costs are provided for in the cost of the work package being undertaken.

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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Our response:

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Traffic management services (which includes traffic management, signage and road cones) are managed by the contractors who deliver projects on Council's behalf. Traffic management is

provided for in project budgets, noting that traffic cones are not a separated costing in these budgets.

We should have the remainder of this information to you either before or close of business Friday the 15th of March.

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