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Tēnā koe Karl,

Request for Information – Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987

We refer to your official information request dated 6 May 2026, seeking information about the cost, delivery, and decision-making relating to cycleway projects in Eastbourne and Petone. We have also included your follow-up email dated 7 May 2026, and your related CRM enquiry (Case 0034872) regarding the Hikoikoi Reserve, Petone Beach, and Waione Street cycleway works, as part of this request.

Please find our responses to your questions below:

1. *The total cost of building the cycleway from Point Howard to Eastbourne*

ANSWER: The total forecast cost of the project is \$81.87 million.

2. *How much Hutt City Council contributed towards that project*

ANSWER: Council contributed \$26.4 million to the project.

3. *The total cost of traffic management, and how much Council paid towards it*

ANSWER: The total cost of traffic management for the project is approximately \$6.65 million. The project was funded by multiple sources, and available reporting does not separately identify traffic management costs by funding partner. As a result, Council's specific contribution to traffic management costs cannot be separately identified.



4. *Who authorised continued project expenditure when the project was known to be over budget*

ANSWER: The project continued under its approved project governance, contractual, budget, and financial delegation arrangements. Forecast cost changes and cost escalation matters were managed through established alliance processes and Council's project, commercial, and budget reporting frameworks.

5. *How many months late the project is, noting that works were still underway as at 6 May 2026*

ANSWER: Earlier programme forecasts anticipated completion in August 2026. Delivery was subsequently accelerated through the Three Bays Strategy, bringing the programme forward to April 2026.

6. *The total cost of the cycleway works through Hikoikoi Reserve, Petone Beach, and along Waione Street*

ANSWER: The Urban Design Team undertook construction of a shared path between East Street, Petone and the Hutt River Trail, adjacent to the Waione Street bridge. The cost of this work was \$162,150.18 (excluding GST), and this represents the full cost of that component.

The Parks and Reserves Team undertook renewal works along the Petone Esplanade, from the Petone Wharf carpark to Waione Street. The total cost of this work was \$648,977.54.

7. *Traffic management costs associated with those works*

ANSWER: No traffic management was required for the Waione Street shared path, as this work was undertaken within a berm area.

For the Petone Esplanade works, no discrete traffic management cost is recorded. However, \$40,484.91 of the total project cost was attributed to general site establishment, which included measures such as signage, fencing, and managing pedestrian and cyclist movements within the reserve to meet health and safety requirements.

8. *Why sections of an existing sealed path near Petone Beach were resealed*

ANSWER: Sections of the existing sealed path near Petone Beach were resealed as part of renewal works to address deteriorated surfaces and improve safety for users, particularly given the high level of use in this area.

In one location at Hikoikoi Park, a section of asphalt was affected by grass growth from an adjacent area, which required repair and patching.

9. *Who authorised the resealing work*

ANSWER: These works were delivered by the Parks and Reserves Team through standard operational processes. Specific repair works at Hikoikoi Park were authorised by the Parks Project Manager.

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