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Dear Caryn Vautier

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

We refer to your request of 1 June 2024 for:

Can you please provide me with the statistics and information on how many accidents over the last 20 years on Dowse Drive that have warranted a all day reduced speed And raised crossing.

Response:

Over the past 20 years, 110 crashes on Dowse Drive have been recorded by the Police. For detailed information, please refer to the attached Excel spreadsheet.

The decision by HCC to adjust speed limits and install raised crossings isn't solely based on reported crash numbers. These measures are also aimed at enhancing accessibility. Hutt City Council's Integrated Transport Strategy (document link: [Hutt City Council Integrated Transport Strategy](#)) gives more information on the reasoning behind these network improvements.

Under the 2022 Setting of Speed Limits Rule, HCC was required to lower the speed limit. However, altering the speed limit alone wouldn't comply with the speed limit rule. Another measure is the installation of the raised zebra crossings. These crossings were implemented to promote safe speeds around schools and the neighbourhood centre. For more details, please visit the following webpage: [NZTA Speed Management Guide](#).

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.

Please note that this response to your information request may be published on Hutt City Council's website. Please refer to the following link:

www.huttcity.govt.nz/council/contactus/make-an-official-information-act-request/proactive-releases

Yours sincerely

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