

Michelle van Straalen

From: Michelle van Straalen
Sent: Tuesday, 15 October 2019 08:20
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information
Subject: RE: LGOIMA 19290: Green markings on Hamilton Roads

Dear [REDACTED]

Further to your information request of 24 September 2019, in respect of green markings on Hamilton roads, I am now able to provide Hamilton City Council's response.

You requested:

Can you please provide information on the meaning of the green markings on the roads for cyclists? What Engineering standard do they meet in terms of RITS? I would think having these green markings (that can be seen prominently) is a space on the carriageway that it is for cyclists to ride safely.

So no more incidents such as this occur:

<https://i.stuff.co.nz/national/crime/115378617/cyclist-run-over-by-ute-after-being-sideswiped-by-opening-car-door>

How have the green markings been determined where they go? It looks as if there is no consistency with shoulder width and/or location. Which will cause confusion and also increased safety risk for users. They are useless at night, because they can not be seen.

Please can you advise the cost of tax payer money that was used for this so called "safety improvement".

Our response:

Can you please provide information on the meaning of the green markings on the roads for cyclists?

Hamilton City Council have installed green dash line markings as part of our focus to increase visibility, knowledge and awareness of the existing on-street cycle lanes. We have taken our design from the markings Hastings District Council (HDC) installed during their Model Community project. The Model Community project was a joint project with HDC and the NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) to showcase best practice cycle facility designs. The learnings which resulted from the HDC Model Community project indicated marking green lines in cycle lanes improved awareness and knowledge of cycle lanes.

Increasing the visibility of on-street cycle lanes was an important consideration for the Council. We want to assist drivers to be more aware they are driving beside or parked next to an on-street cycle lane, and the need to be alert for cyclists.

What Engineering standard do they meet in terms of RITS?

Green dash line markings do not have a standard defined in Regional Infrastructure Technical Specification (RITS) as this is new to our region. Once we have proven the marking configuration (e.g. width, location) and specification (e.g. the level of reflection) we will be adding this marking into the RITS.

How have the green markings been determined where they go?

Green dash line markings have been installed across approximately 50% of existing on-street cycle lanes. We expect to complete the remaining portion of on-street cycle lanes prior to Christmas 2019.

Please can you advise the cost of tax payer money that was used for this so called "safety improvement"?

We have received a similar request previously and have provided you with the link to this specific response below.

The breakdown of cost reflects the work completed to date, approximately 50% of on-street green and yellow cycle lanes.

[https://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-council/Council meetings and public information/ofi/LGOIMA 2019/LGOIMA 19216 Cycle Lanes.pdf](https://www.hamilton.govt.nz/our-council/Council%20meetings%20and%20public%20information/ofi/LGOIMA%202019/LGOIMA%2019216%20Cycle%20Lanes.pdf)

Yours sincerely

From: official information
Sent: Wednesday, 25 September 2019 9:03 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: official information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: LGOIMA 19290: Green markings on Hamilton Roads

Kia ora,

I write to acknowledge your information request of 24 September 2019 in respect of Green markings on Hamilton Roads.

Please be advised that your request has been passed on to the relevant team within Council and you will be informed of the outcome.

The Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 requires that we advise you of our decision on whether the Council will provide the requested information or not "as soon as reasonably practicable", no later than 20 working days after the day we received your request. We will respond to you no later than 22 October 2019.

Ngaa mihi,
Amy Viggers
On behalf of the Privacy Officer
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From: Andrew King <Andrew.King@council.hcc.govt.nz>
Date: 25 September 2019 at 6:04:06 AM NZST
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Attention: Green markings on Hamilton Roads

Hi [REDACTED]
I have given your email to a manager in this area to get back to you. If you haven't heard back within two days, please come back to me.
Best
Andrew.

Sent from my iPhone

On 24/09/2019, at 9:50 PM, [REDACTED] wrote:

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