


24 November 2023



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LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: 2023-82

Thank you for your email on 8 November 2023 to Carterton District Council requesting the following information:

“A list of projects that were to be funded by Transport Choices, how far along these were (i.e. planning/scoping, or about to begin construction, etc – in whatever way makes sense for you), and how much investment had been put into these projects monetarily (i.e. spending on design, engagement and consultation, etc)”.

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meeting Act 1987 (the Act). Our response is as follows:

Council applied for funding from Waka Kotahi’s Transport Choices programme for three projects, and one of the three projects was approved for \$918,720 to deliver Connecting Carterton – School’s Link.

The objectives of the Connecting Carterton Schools’ Link were to:

1. Provide safe walking and cycling connection for five schools to the town centre and amenities
2. Enable and encourage more students from five schools to use active modes to and from school and other key amenities in the town
3. Increase the number of students currently using active modes to and from school
4. Long term objective to reduce the number of Vehicle Kilometres Travelled (VKT) on State Highway 2 by 2027
5. Reduce school traffic and congestion at school gates
6. Enhance Council’s reputation as a provider of quality, fit for purpose active transport solutions

In addition to the cycle trail funding, Council received \$180,000 funding as a Complementary Initiative to build bicycle storage facilities at each of the five local schools. This complemented the cycle trail project and helped raise awareness of the mode shift to shared and active modes, for example, using bikes, scooters, and skateboards.

The cycleway project ended at the pre-Implementation stage when CDC elected to withdraw from the programme due to inability to secure private land access, therefore compromising the objectives of the project.

Pre-implementation included project delivery through to completion of detailed designs. The breakdown of costs in the pre-implementation stage is follows:

Project Management	\$47,582
Comms & Engagement	\$20,715
Design (to completed detailed design including safety audits)	\$82,263
Total	\$150,560

Construction of the bike sheds is underway with contracts signed for the delivery of four bike sheds (plus repainting of one old bike shed). The complementary funding includes construction, fit out, and beautification.

As at 31 October 2023 the costs for the project are \$29,829. It is expected the project will be completed at just under the \$180k budget.

Please note, the Council now proactively publishes LGOIMA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā/yours sincerely



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