

17 October 2014

Mr John Carter
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Dear Mr Carter,

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

CAS - 402490-H5Q8V2

Thank you for your email dated 2 October 2014 to Auckland Transport requesting information in relation to the Carpool Car Park Trial instituted at Birkenhead Wharf (Hinemoa Street) on 1 October 2010 and its ongoing running.

Car pool parking spaces have been introduced at various park and ride facilities across Auckland. Car pool or high occupancy vehicle spaces (HOV) are provided to help make more efficient use of existing facilities by encouraging commuters to share a ride. This enables more people to use the public transport facility without increasing the number of vehicles travelling to and from the facility and trying to find a park there.

The success of a car pool scheme is measured on how these spaces are being used. Visual observation and recording how many occupants arrive per vehicle and the time they arrive has been undertaken to assess the effectiveness of the restriction. A key indicator is the number of vehicles that comply with the terms of the restriction; these observations so far have shown this as successful with a high level of compliance. An extended observation period was undertaken to ensure data collected accurately represented how these T2 parks are used and if a change has occurred over time.

We consider the evaluation period is now concluded with final analysis currently being undertaken. This final analysis assesses the effectiveness of the restriction and if there needs to be a change to the number of spaces designated for HOV parking.

Initially the concept included an oversupply of spaces which has proven an effective method in encouraging people to car pool and make use of this parking.

The following documentation is attached

- T2 Parking Survey 2014
- Parking Survey Birkenhead Ferry Terminal
- 2012 Keenan Final Year Project Report parking wharfs buses
- Infrastructure and Environment Committee 10 August 2010
- 16 July 2010 Minutes of Preferential Parking Trial
- Consolidated T2 Study Presentation

We trust that the above information has addressed your query. However, you have the right in accordance with section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman if you are not satisfied with our response.

Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact Trevor Clark, Parking Design Coordinator, on 09 447 5107 quoting Official Information request number CAS-402490-H5Q8V2.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Liz Hogan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Liz Hogan
Manager Parking Services