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Tēnā koe Mr McCashin

Thank you for your email of 23 May 2024 to Te Kaunihera o Pōneke | Wellington City Council (the Council) requesting information and for your response to my follow up email dated 14 June 2024. After refinement, you have requested the following information:

1. *Please provide the total number of speedhumps (road hump) installed across Wellington*
2. *For the year 2023, include:  
Type - watts, flat top, temporary etc etc - just all of the types Number installed, cost of each individual installation Location / street installed on Is there also a GIS mapping system that will show all of the locations of these?*
3. *Can you also outline what policy directive this is associated with Can you outline the process to have these installed - eg consultation steps, resource consent?, consultation with ratepayers, consultation with emergency services*
4. *I also understand to install a speedhump 75% of the residents impacted are required to support these. Please provide all of the evidence for all of the individual speedhumps showing that 75% of the people impacted support these.*

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Please see our response below.

#### **Question One**

The total number of road humps installed across Wellington we have a record of is 485. The details we hold have been provided in an Excel spreadsheet attached to this response and covers the time frame of 1980 to April 2024.

#### **Question Two**

The council installed 17 road humps in 2023, the details we hold have also been provided in the Excel spreadsheet attached to this response. The GIS data has been attached as a zip file in shapefile format in WGS 84, which is compatible with Google Maps.

We do not hold data on the type of road hump installed or the cost of each location as many are installed as a part of a larger project. Therefore, this portion of your request has been refused under section 17(e) of the Act, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

We record costs where road humps have been installed as a stand-alone piece. These are done under the minor works programme. Please see the costs for the below locations:

Projects	Completion Date	Type	Location	Amount
Wright Street Traffic Calming	Dec 2023	Speed Cushions	Outside House No-12	\$31,332
Kenya Street at Crofton Road	April 2023	Speed Hump	Near Ngaio Union Church	\$55,089

### Question Three

The purpose of road humps is generally to improve pedestrian safety, reduce vehicle speeds to increase safety for all users, and create a safer environment for people in cars and bikes to share the lane, where bike lanes aren't provided on the bike network. This aligns with NZTA Waka Kotahi guidance on pedestrian facilities.

An example is through town centres, where we have chosen to retain parking for businesses in a 30kph area, but we need to bring vehicle speeds down to the legal speed limit for it to be safe for sharing the lane.

Often road humps are consulted on as a part of a wider project, sometimes through the traffic resolution process or targeted engagement with the impacted residents. Our City Design team regularly meets with emergency services representatives to discuss projects and receive feedback.

A resource consent is not required to install road humps.

### Question Four

The Council does not have a policy that requires 75% of the residents impacted to support the installation of speed bumps. Therefore, this section of the request is refused under section 17(g)(i) of the Act, that the information requested is not held by the local authority and the person dealing with the request has no grounds for believing that the information is held by another local authority or a department or Minister of the Crown or organisation.

You have the right, by way of complaint under section 28(1) of the LGOIMA, to request an investigation and review of the Council's decision to withhold information by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you require further information, please contact [official.information@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:official.information@wcc.govt.nz).

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