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Kia ora Tony,

Wellington CBD Cordon Survey

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), received on 11 July 2024. You requested the following information:

- *Please provide the CBD cordon survey data for Vehicle Occupancy, Pedestrian, Cycling and Public Transport User for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024*

It is preferred that the requested information be provided in its complete and original electronic spreadsheet format.

Wellington City Council has partly granted your request for information.

Background Information

Wellington's CBD cordon survey has been undertaken since 1999, which involves people with clipboards manually recording the numbers of pedestrians on foot and bikes entering and leaving the CBD. As reported on our [website](#) last year, Wellington City Council is preparing to roll out a new monitoring network to collect data on active transport.

Data collected by the new traffic counting sensors will include counts of different types of road users, paths of travel, and travel speeds, including cars, trucks, bicycles, scooters, buses, and pedestrians.

2022 Cordon Survey

On investigation I can confirm that the 2022 Cordon Survey was not undertaken due to the impact of Covid-19. We are therefore refusing this part of your request under section 17(e) of the Act because the requested document does not exist.

2023 Cordon Survey

With respect to the 2023 Cordon Survey, below are the documents that fall in scope of your request and my decision to release them:

Item	Document name/description	Decision
Appendix 1	2023 Cordon Cycle Survey	Released.
Appendix 2	2023 Cordon Pedestrian Survey	Released.

Appendix 3	2023 GWRC Cordon Public Transport counts	Released.
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Please note:

- The 2023 cordon survey was undertaken with a reduced scope due to some health and safety concerns, which includes days of intense weather.
- Further to the above, the traditional Transport Monitoring and Vehicle Occupancy Surveys were discontinued from 2023 onwards, as these surveys showed consistent results over the years, therefore this data is unavailable too.

2024 Cordon Survey

As confirmed in my email to you dated 31 July 2024, this part of your request has been transferred to the Greater Wellington Regional Council for response as the information requested is believed to be more closely connected with them.

Right of review

If you are not satisfied with the Council's response, you may request the Office of the Ombudsman to investigate the Council's decision. Further information is available on the Ombudsman website, www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Thank you again for your request.

Kind regards

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