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REF: OIA-3695

Dear Tony,

Request made under the Official Information Act 1982

Thank you for your email of 29 March 2018 confirming your request of the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I understand that the NZTA economic evaluation of walking and cycling facilities includes the completion of the SP11 Walking and cycling facilities evaluations. This is described as the "procedure provides a method of evaluating the economic efficiency of walking and cycling facility improvements".

I am interested in the NZTA evaluation of walking and cycling facilities.

Can I please have a copy of all the SP11 Walking and cycling facilities evaluations received by NZTA ?

This information is created and provided as a spreadsheet based on the NZTA template. I would prefer the information was provided in its original and complete format.

In response to our request for further clarity, you confirmed via telephone the following scope for your request:

The benefit cost analysis for urban cycleways for the following regions:

- 1. Auckland*
- 2. Hamilton*
- 3. Wellington*
- 4. Christchurch*
- 5. Dunedin*

This applies to all of the TLAs within a region. For example: the whole Wellington region, and not just the Wellington City Council area.

This does not cover any project on which the Transport Agency is yet to make a decision.

Please be advised that the NZ Transport Agency has made a decision to grant your request and a response will be provided to you in five tranches, with the first tranche of information included in this response. The subsequent four tranches of the response will be provided to you without undue delay. We anticipate being able to provide the remaining tranches of information within 15 working days. During this time the remaining information you have requested will be finalised for release.

We have interrogated our Transport Investment Online system (TIO) for the information you have requested. This system is the Transport Agency's main source of information on investment applications and decisions, in relation to investments through the National Land Transport Programme.

Simplified Procedure 11 (SP11) is a component of the Transport Agency's Economic Evaluation Manual (EEM) which condenses economic efficiency evaluations into a limited number of worksheets. The EEM contains 12 simplified procedures covering road improvements, public transport, road safety, travel behaviour change, and walking and cycling facilities. The information is supplied to the Transport Agency by the approved organisations under the projects, name City, District, and Regional councils.

The documents in the attached document schedule contain the economic evaluations of the six completed walking and cycling projects in the Wellington region which fall within the scope of your request.

In the Wellington region, 20 activities received implementation funding since 2008/9. A number of these investment decisions were part of a wider package where full cost-benefit procedures were applied. There were 12 activities supported by the simplified assessment SP11, with 6 supplying electronic copies of the full SP11 information. We are enclosing those full SP11's for which we hold electronic copies in TIO.

We have now gathered the information for the other four regions and, after consulting with the relevant councils, will release the relevant SP11 documents to you.

Certain information has been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the Act. This section allows for the withholding of information to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons.

With respect to the information that has been withheld, I do not consider there are any other factors which would render it desirable, in the public interest, to make the information available.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to withhold this information. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

If you would like to discuss the scope of your request and the information resulting from it, please contact me by email to bob.alkema@nzta.govt.nz or by phone on (04) 901 6158.

Yours sincerely



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OIA-3695 Document Schedule

Ref	Document	Date	Description
1.	Kapiti Urban Cycleway Fund programme		'114291 Kapiti Coast District Council Urban Cycleway Fund Programme Rev2 sp11-walking-and-cycling (002)'
2.	Porirua Station Road to Kenepuru Station Shared Use Path		'93067 Porirua city Council Porirua Station Road to Kenepuru Station Shared Use Path sp11-walking-and-cycling'
3.	Onepoto to Wi Neera Shared Pathway		'116392 Porirua City Council Onepoto to Wi Neera Shared Pathway SP11-walking-and-cycling - \$1.07M'
4.	UCF Funding Administration		'115131 Upper Hutt City Council UCF Funding Administration SP11-cycling - Package 2015-2018_update (1)'
5.	Silverstream to Hutt River Walking and Cycling Path		'102154 Upper Hutt City Council Silverstream to Hutt River Walking and Cycling Path'
6.	Hutt River Trail - Sealing and Widening		'111771 Upper Hutt City Council Hutt River Trail - Sealing and Widening SP11-walking-and-cycling - Hutt River Trail'