

REQUEST:

To Whom it May Concern, I am currently doing some research surrounding the times of day that pedestrians are likely to be in the Octagon. I have been looking at the Dunedin Central City Framework and Warehouse Precinct Plan and note a range of background studies in appendix 5 that I think may be helpful with my research. I have been attempting to locate: - Pedestrian counts George Street and Princes Street 2002-2011 – Dunedin City Council - Central Activity Area Survey (unpublished), City Development, Dunedin City Council. January 2010 I would really appreciate it if you could assist me in how to go about gaining access to these two documents.

RESPONSE:

A report that went to the Planning and Environment Committee on 14 June 2011 (https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/188221/ma_pec_r_pedcounts_2011_06_14.pdf) reviewed pedestrian counts that had been carried out on George and Princes Streets since 2003. From this review, it was determined that pedestrian counting has significant limitations as a methodology (e.g., influences of seasonality, effects of student population, weather, daily fluctuations, etc.) and is not very useful as a data set used to inform city-making efforts.

The report suggests that of greater priority for future planning and design work in the central city is pedestrian movement analysis. This work is more detailed, and therefore, more expensive to gather but is not required to be repeated as often. Subsequently, City Development ceased pedestrian counts in the central city in 2011 and trialled a movement analysis in South Dunedin.

Taking this into consideration, the pedestrian counts taken on George Street and Princes Street between 2002-2011 are included here (as a series of Word documents in a compressed folder). No record can be found of a Central Activity Area Survey (unpublished) from January 2010.

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