

Subject: RE: Local Government Official Information request – 600316

Hi Paul,

The Council is unable to provide you with the opinion you are seeking and reiterates its prior advice to you that you must obtain your own legal advice.

The Transport department has advised that there are no permits required for the operation of a Segway on Council roads or footpaths where the motor size is less than 1500W.

Whether a permit from the Council as a road controlling authority is required for the use of a golf cart will depend on the characteristics of that vehicle and whether it is categorised as a Paxter (a goods cart powered by an electric battery) or otherwise comes within the definition of a mobility device. You can find out more information at this weblink

<https://www.nzta.govt.nz/vehicles/vehicle-types/low-powered-vehicles/mobility-scooters/>. If you have more specific questions about whether the vehicle you intend to use is considered to be a mobility device or other vehicle please contact the NZTA directly using the details provided on their website.

If your intended "golf cart" vehicle is a Paxter, the Council does need to issue a permit for its use. If the vehicle meets the definition of a mobility device, it does not require a permit.

A permit is required to use Council reserves for commercial purposes whether or not those services involve the use of a mobility device.

Regards, CSA.