

From: Lauren McDonald
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [Simon Drew](#); [Andrew Lord](#); [Jeanine Benson](#)
Subject: Response to OIAs 795486, 795494, 75498 and 795502 - Requests regarding to Highcliff Road
Date: Monday, 7 December 2020 10:59:00 a.m.
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Dear [REDACTED]

My apologies for our late response to your to your official information request received on 3 November 2020 for four separate matters in relation to Highcliff Road.

The four information requests have been restated and responded to as follows:

Name:	[REDACTED]
Organisation:	[REDACTED]
Address:	[REDACTED]
Phone:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]

Request

Request Text

On 28 October 2020 [REDACTED] in the Edinburgh room for the speed submissions on the Otago peninsula, I am requesting the full audio recording of [REDACTED] including that of Cr O'Malley. I am also requesting a copy of the council documents stipulating the requirements for public submissions for the speed changes on Highcliff Rd and the Otago peninsula. I am also requesting that the DCC point out in the submissions or provide evidence that the submissions that the public submitted are not to be consulted into the change of speed proposal as was specified for coming into effect in November 2020, if there is no evidence from the council that this is the case I am also requesting to know why Councilor O'Malley stated to me in the meeting that my proposal that I put forward for speed reduction won't be looked at for the November 2020 proposal. I am also requesting to see a copy of the public submissions that were submitted for Highcliff Rd and the Otago Peninsula.

I confirm [REDACTED] to your s [REDACTED] at the Speed Limits Bylaw Hearing held on 28-29 October 2020. I have broken down your request as follows:

1. Full audio recording of [REDACTED], Including that of Cr O'Malley.

I advise that this meeting was not audio or video recorded and therefore the request is declined, pursuant to section 17(e) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA), that the information does not exist.

2. Provision of a copy of the council documents stipulating the requirements for public submission for the speed changes on Highcliff Road and the Otago Peninsula.

Information on the consultation and submission process were available through the following links:

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/___data/assets/pdf_file/0005/780413/Proposed-Speed-Limits-Bylaw-Amendment-11-Public-notice.pdf

https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/___data/assets/pdf_file/0006/780414/Proposed-Speed-

[Limits-Bylaw-Amendment-11-Statement-of-proposal.pdf](#)

The Statement of Proposal (please refer to the link) details the:

- background for the proposal,
- the proposal itself
- relevant determinations by Council in relation to the proposal
- the reasons for the review and the options for submitters to consider and the consultation process.

Attachments were available for the proposed DCC Speed Limits Bylaw 2004 Amendment 11 and also the maps for the locations of the proposal changes to speed limits. This is available through the link above.

3. That the DCC point out in the submissions OR provide evidence that the submissions that the public submitted on are not be consulted into the change of speed proposal (as was specified for coming into effect in November 202).

As a point of clarification the Statement of Proposal does advise that if the Council enacts changes to speed limits, the new speed limits would come into effect from 1 November 2020. The changes will not be able to be put into effect until resolved by full Council.

4. An explanation in regard to a statement made by Cr O'Malley at the hearing that your proposal put forward for speed reduction would not be looked at for the November 2020 proposal.

Cr O'Malley made observations in response to a submitter's comments only. The Regulatory Subcommittee are still in deliberation over the hearing and no decision has been made in relation [REDACTED].

5. A copy of the public submissions that were submitted for the Highcliff and the Otago Peninsula.

You may view the public submissions made through the DCC website. See link: <https://www.dunedin.govt.nz/council/currently-consulting-on/pre-hearings/proposed-speed-limits-bylaw-amendment-11/submissions/public-feedback-received-during-speed-limits-bylaw-review-amendment-11-consultation>

As we have declined some part of your request (question 1), pursuant to Section 17(e) you are advised that you have the right to seek a review of this decision by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information on how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone on 0800 802 602.

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I am making a request from the DCC why the steel safety barrier on Highcliff Rd, east of Karetai Rd that was damaged in an accident on June 2018 was not repaired until December 2019, as the council was made aware on numerous times through emails and phone of this damage and the seriousness of the public safety of this damage as it was on the end impact structure that was damaged. I am also requesting to know the position held within the council or council company of the person who was directly responsible for this to not have been repaired.

In response to this information request I advise that the barrier on Highcliff Road (near Karetai Road), was reported as damaged on the 20/06/2018 and repaired on 17 and 18 December 2019. We acknowledged the timeline for repair was unacceptable and we will be working with the new contractor to ensure this does not occur again. Andrew Lord, Maintenance Team Leader – Transport Delivery is happy to meet with you to discuss this matter further, if you wish. He can be contacted on Andrew.Lord@dcc.govt.nz or via phone on 03 4774000.

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I am making a request as to why there was no road seal repair or safety signage installed on Highcliff Rd directly outside [REDACTED] on the shiney and slippery road surface that the council have been made aware of for two years that directly contributed to an accident two months ago where a vehicle skidded off the road into [REDACTED]. I am also requesting the position held by the person in the council or council company that denied the signage or the seal repair

In response to this information request, I advise that a call was received on 3 August 2018 and dispatched to the then DCC contactor. On review of our records I advise that there is no crash data held for the accident you mention in your request. Previous data shows 3 accidents in this vicinity, one in each of the years 2005, 2013 and 2018. The road was assessed by roading contractors, who advised Council that the seal itself was fine, but due to the road being sheltered by trees it therefore did not receive as much sunlight as other sections of Highcliff Road. This section of Highcliff Road has been assessed for faults to be repaired ahead of the re-sealing programme to occur in the 2022/2023 season. The DCC Transport safety team will be assessing the Highcliff Road for areas which would benefit from signage “slippery when wet” especially for winter driving conditions. Again, Andrew Lord, the Maintenance Team Leader – Transport Delivery is happy to meet with you to discuss this matter further, if you wish. He can be contacted on Andrew.Lord@dcc.govt.nz or via phone on 03 4774000.

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I am requesting why the dangerous seal damage on the intersection of Camp road and Highcliff road that the council are aware of has not been repaired as it is causing damage to the vehicles and also why the council have made no temporary reduction of speed with this road surface posing a significant safety hazard at a directed speed of 70 kmph

In response to your information request on the seal damage on the intersection of Camp Road and Highcliff Road. This was first identified through an inspection of the road network as a general fault with a medium priority by the previous contractor. This section was continually monitored by the contractor and DCC staff and not assessed as needing urgent repair or signs. With the commencement of Fulton Hogan as the new maintenance contractor in May 2020, this repair work was added to their contract and was completed in November 2020 along with other repairs on Highcliff Road.

I trust that this answers your four information requests.

Yours sincerely

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