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Thorndon Residents' Association Via FYI website

Kia ora Thorndon Resident's Association

## **Construction site works**

Thank you for your request made under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act), received on 22 April 2023. You requested the following information regarding construction sites (or other major works) in Thorndon, and timings/conflicts (potential or otherwise) of all these forward works:

- all related internal advice,
- in whatever form/channel/nature that advice has been provided (oral, email, report, etc),
- to the Transitional Cycleway Team (Bike team)
- by any WCC individual, or any WCC teams, or any other parts of WCC, including originating from any contractor/consultants to WCC
- in respect to the timing of significant building and construction work in Thorndon.

Similarly, what internal advice, of the same or similar nature as (1) above, has been provided to

- the Executive Leadership Team, either individually or as a group, and
- the Chief Executive of WCC

concerning the timing of significant building and construction works in Thorndon, while also planning to implement significant street layout changes for the Thorndon Connections project i.e. install protected cycleways.

The Act allows for the making available of official information by way of a summary (section 15(1)(e) of the LGOIMA). Please see the below information:

Scheduling: The bus interchange upgrades will be completed prior to the Thorndon Connections project starting in the Molesworth area. The Transitional team will not be running any cycle lanes down Molesworth St. before LT McGuiness is done with the civil connections on the 61 Molesworth development (March- July '24). This ensures that there is no conflict around the civil connections for the project. Ideally, the civil connections work at 61 Molesworth St will be complete prior to July, but the transitional team will work closely to schedule installation in this area as soon as possible once this has been complete. Additionally, there will be no bike lanes at all on Molesworth Street until the Wellington Water work on Hawkestone/Molesworth is complete (Sept '23-Feb '24). Now that the Council has approved the Thorndon Connections project, on-going scheduling

around the intersection enabling works will occur between the project managers, the Corridor Manager and the contractors to minimise disruption in the area..

No information on this situation was provided to the Executive Leadership team or the Chief Executive as it is not an issue which required their input.

I can advise the project manager who was involved in the earlier stages of the project, including much of the coordination with contractors, has since left and we no longer have access to their correspondence. As such an email search for what you have requested has proved difficult and the making available of documents would impair efficient information to recreate the information.

## 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.

Please note, we may proactively release our response to your request with your personal information removed.

Thank you again for your request, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

Claudia Holgate Official Information