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Official information request - Information on Stolen Bicycles From Campus Bike Sheds

The Paraparaumu College Board is responding to your Official Information Act request dated 28 July 2024, for information regarding bicycles and scooters which may have been stolen from the bike sheds at Paraparaumu College between 1 January 2020 and 28 July 2024.

- 1. Between January 1st 2020 and today's date how many bicycles and scooters have been reported stolen from the campus during school time, afterschool and weekends to management at the school (not NZ Police directly).*

During this period of time, our records identify 11 bicycles or scooters having been reported stolen to the college. Of those, there was only one during school time, the rest were stolen either after school or during the weekend.

- 2. How has the school handled these incidents?*

The college has viewed camera footage and where images of the person are clear, has attempted to identify the person. Staff have been in contact with families where the college has been able to identify the person taking the bicycle or scooter. The college has also made footage available to the police when requested.

- 3. Have parents of children enrolled at the school raised any concerns about the number of bike thefts (if any) at the school in the last 4 years? If so, how many individual concerns have been made?*

The college does not hold any records of concerns or complaints made to them about bike thefts over the past 4 years.

- 4. If point 3 is answered, please provide information on how the school responded to these concerns and what was done (if any) to satisfy those concerns.*

Not applicable.

5. *Does the school have security cameras overlooking the bike sheds and is there any security lighting, motion activated lighting or IR floodlights in place?*

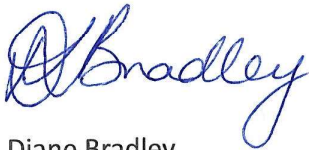
The college has three security cameras overlooking the main bike park area. There is lighting permanently on at night throughout the college, including one in the bike park area. The college doesn't have motion activated lighting or IR floodlights.

6. *Has the school considered any other ways to protect childrens bicycles such as a secure bike parking facility or locky docks (as seen at Paraparaumu station) and is there any roadmap/timeframe for when these might be rolled out?*

At this stage the college hasn't considered other ways to protect students' bicycles, however there is currently an internal review of cameras on college grounds. There are 20 bike racks provided at the college and there is an expectation students will securely lock their bicycles and not leave them at school overnight or during the weekend.

We trust this information is all you require from the college.

Yours sincerely



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Paraparaumu College Board