

4 April 2019

Mr Hugh Davenport
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Dear Mr Davenport

Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987

CAS-987976-V7P9T5

Thank you for your email dated 18 February 2019, requesting correspondence regarding a near miss incident on 14 February 2019 involving a cyclist on the Grafton Bridge.

Please find attached two documents containing internal correspondence relating to this incident including correspondence with the operator of the service. Please note some redactions have been made to names and phone numbers under section 7 (2)(a) in order to protect the privacy of natural persons.

The answers to your specific questions are below:

1. How many reports about dangerous driving have involved the particular driver on shift?

The driver in question had no driving performance incidents prior to this one, and his training was through NZQA unit standards. (Please refer to page 3 of the document for further details.)

2. What the outcome for the driver was in this particular instance?

The driver received disciplinary action and has been booked in for additional training following this incident. (Please see page 3.) The specifics of this discipline are protected under the Privacy Act. (Please see page 1.)

3. What is AT doing to improve road safety for all road users?

Bus companies, in collaboration with Auckland Transport (AT) and Bike Auckland, run workshops for bus drivers that include drivers riding bikes in a bid to increase their empathy for cyclists on the roads. Bike Auckland and AT work together to arrange more of these workshops and include it in new bus driver training. As outlined in page 9 of the attached document, the Cycle Action Network conducted cycle awareness training with Howick and Eastern's driver trainers last year.

4. Were the Police notified of the event?

Howick and Eastern did not make a report to NZ Police in relation to this incident.



We trust this has addressed your request, however, should you believe that we have not dealt with your request appropriately, you have the right in accordance with section 27(3) of the LGOIMA to make a complaint to the Office of the Ombudsman and seek an investigation and review with regards to this matter.

If you have any further queries, please contact Auckland Transport on 09 355 3553 quoting Official Information request number CAS-987976-V7P9T5.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stacey', is positioned below the closing text. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Stacey van der Putten
Group Manager Metro Services

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Correspondence in relation to this incident.