

May 2017 Cycle conversation minutes

2nd May

Location: The Londoner Pub

1. Proposed Car Zero generation (Row)

Hamilton City Council is proposing to make parking in the central city free, yet wants to spend more money on building more car parks, including taking over most of Garden Place.

<http://generationzero.org/hamiltonparking>

We're asking you to quick submit on the Hamilton Annual Plan to tell council to prioritise sustainable transport investment, not new car parks. **Close 7th May**

Western rail trail opening (Michael)

The actual opening did not have a minute of silence of Mike Leach.

Feedback on the trail:

- The planting is not done yet. Could please keep in mind that planting should be grass or low shrubs
- The garden bark has washed out
- K Drive traffic lights don't work
- Maybe add in left signs/signals (wasnt this in the original design?)
- Getting to CycleTime is bit hard.
- Great surface
- Great route

Local cyclist death - Mike Leach

Followed up with the local Council and NZTA on ideas

We want to propose to make Hamilton the test case for Cycling Safety Panel's recommendation about design intersections so they are safe for cyclists

We have a lot of good information for our case:

- We had the first of it's kind, NZTA ran a State highways assessment regarding pedestrian and bicycle accessibility in Feb/March 2017, including Burger King and Dinsdale roundabouts.
- HCC is reviewing our Access Hamilton Strategy now
- NZTA road safety centre of excellence kicked off this earlier week in Wellington and there are a few local Hamilton bodies e.g Kay Clarke
- Hamilton city max speed is 80 per hour
- HCC survey (Tamera) results included that 90% of cyclist use footpath/shared paths
- Email of councillors/mayor show support for action. (Peter Bos)

Hamilton improvement meeting with HCC(Ashley)

- 6 weekly meeting
- Issues with the cycle route between Waterford St and Peacockes Road.
- Concern over the Hamilton West schools project progress/or lack of.

Waikato Regional Road Safety Strategy (Claire is leading)

Waikato Regional Council has got their "Waikato Regional Road Safety Strategy 2017-21" out for stakeholder consultation which includes Cycle Action Network (and CAW).

This document is important as sets the road safety spending in the Waikato Region for the next 3 years.

CAN needs to write a submission before **12 May 2017**.

<https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/assets/Global/SM/Draft-Waikato-Regional-Road-Safety-Strategy-2017-21.pdf>

NZTA (Claire)

Met with NZTA to discussion about Mike Leach death and also the NLTP programme submission/feedback progress. We need to begin with Waikato Regional Road Safety Strategy.

Sillary Street underpass is underway. We will have a 4m wide underpass with lighting and a mural.

Safer speed (Peter)

We discussed what speed with would like about the city, we agreed that 30km is sensible
Change the speed limit, then change the road.

25SH - Raglan. (Peter)

Road safer for cars, not cyclists, we are losing the shoulder.

John Lawson is in contact with NZTA

Hamilton to Raglan bus can carry bikes

Can we do anything?

Other business

- driver behaviour (watch for cyclists)
- When is the opening of the Te Awa bridge happening?
- Te Awa foliage issues around the Perry Bike Skills Park
- Avalon path / Te Rapa path new path, thanks NZTA

TO DO Follow up the Hamilton wide signage proposal - Claire to email council EMAIL HCC

TO DO When is the opening of the Te Awa bridge ? - EMAILED JEN

TO DO Te Awa foliage issues around Bike Skills Park - EMAILED FORTERRA

TO DO When is the Access Hamilton public consultation - ?ASK Peter

TO DO Ask Hamilton City Council for a Bike Hamilton School project update - ?