OIR: 2627/44

19 August 2026

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Tēnā koe [redacted],

Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)

Thank you for your email of **3 August 2026** requesting the following information in relation to road repairs on Park Avenue, Waikanae:

1. ***Why has this area been excavated?***

   The pavement had localised cracking and surface shape issues. This excavation is for a preseal dig out and repair.

2. ***Has a council report been made to justify this work?***

   This repair was presented by the Contractor to Council as routine dispatch as part of the road maintenance contract.

3. ***What guarantee does the contractor offer and in the case of a road surface failure who picks up the cost?***

   Work is carried out with a one-year warranty, any failures would be remedied by the contractor at their cost.

4. ***Is this the standard of workmanship expected of your contractors?***

   No

5. ***What is the cost of this repair?***

   The repair is approximately $6000.

6. ***Why was an initial AC coat spread on the excavation, asking because it appears to be some left over AC and just used to reduce the contractors cost for fresh hot material.***

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The thin layer of asphalt was laid so the paver does not pick up the emulsion and track it.

7. ***Why was this repair done in two stages? Two different days?***

   The Contractor did not have enough asphalt for the patch and had to return to complete the strip in the shoulder.

8. ***Had the first seal coat attempt, failed on the footpath side?***

   No, the Contractor ran out of asphalt.

9. ***Why has the contractor been allowed to do this work without a full cover of tack coat?***

   Our expectation is the entire surface of the basecourse layer has a membrane seal, which is a thick tack coat, prior to asphalting the surface.

   Our site inspection did not witness the poor coverage on this site. We appreciate the detail provided by your photo evidence and will follow this up with the Contractor.

10. ***Is this work monitored by a Council roading experienced Engineer?***

    Yes

11. ***Is a report made following completion of this work?***

    Yes, the Contractor completes the dispatch with measure-up details and photos of the work completed.

12. ***Is the road failure at the Ngarara Road end of Park Avenue on the list of priorities?***

    Yes

13. ***Has the finished product been accepted to a standard expected by KCDC?***

    The Contractor has not yet presented the dispatch for this work to Council, therefore the process to accept or decline has yet to be formally completed.

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14. ***As this letter shows poor accountability in monitoring road surface conditions, Do the Council staff pay attention to the road surfaces and is there a reporting structure to deal with surface failures?***

    Regular inspections are undertaken by our Road Maintenance Contractor to monitor the condition of our roading network, including road surface condition. The Contractor raises a dispatch for each fault and presents these in a formal programme of works. The programme is presented monthly and includes the following month's programme and future work.

    Council staff review and approve the programme. Council staff regularly inspect sites with the Contractor to ensure expectations are aligned

Ngā mihi,



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