


OIR: 2425/1363

26 May 2025



Tēnā koe ,

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

Thank you for your email of **16 May 2025** requesting the following information:

1. The average cost to repair a pot hole?

The contract rate for our Road Maintenance Contractor is commercially sensitive and is withheld under section 7(2)(b)(ii) of the Act. Section 7(2)(b)(ii) provides that Council may withhold information in order to protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or who is the subject of the information. I am satisfied that the withholding of this information is not outweighed by public interest considerations in section 7(1) favouring release.

However, we can provide the range of values that represent the typical costs for this activity. The range of cost we expect for pothole repairs is between \$45 to \$125 per m2.

2. Do these repairs carry a warranty and for how long?

Our current Road Maintenance Contract delivers our pothole repairs and follows the NZTA HM19 specification.

The NZTA HM19 specification defines the performance criteria relating to the duration of repair is defined as “the pothole repair remains intact”

This is expanded in our upcoming Road Maintenance Contract (from 1 July 2025) to “When a permanent repair cannot be made immediately, the pothole shall be filled with a suitable material to make the road safe until a permanent repair can be affected”

Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.

3. Do the pots hole reappear after the repairs were carried out?

Occasionally, a pothole may reappear after the initial pothole repair is undertaken. In this situation the initial repair has not achieved the duration requirement as described in Q2. On these occasions, the Road Maintenance Contractor undertakes further repairs at their own cost.

4. How many pot holes are repaired annually?

The current trend of potholes repaired on Councils roading network is approximately 350 per annum.

5. What is the Annual KCDC cost for Traffic Management?

Council has only been recording the cost for Traffic Management since July 2024, therefore we do not hold an entire annual period.

From the information available, the cost for Temporary Traffic Management from 1 July to 31 March (9 Months) is \$990,000. This is for all Roding activities, not limited to Potholes.

You have the right to request the Ombudsman to review this decision. Complaints can be sent by email to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz, or by post to The Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Ngā mihi,



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Kaiwhakahaere Rōpū Anga me te Whakahaere Rawa