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Dear Mr Smith

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information to Brighton & Hove City Council ('the council') that was received on 24 May 2022. We have now processed your request and our response is below.

Your request:

Q1. I am aware that for the majority of the time the new outer (ROAD) cycle lane was temporary the monitoring cameras were out of action. The decision to make this cycle lane permanent appears to have been based solely on 1 week's data in mid summer. Please can you confirm this is true.

It also appears that the data for both the existing (pavement) cycle lane and the new (ROAD) cycle lane were merged into one combined set of data for a previous Fol request, not giving a true view of the temporary addition in its own right, before it was made permanent.

Q2. Please can you supply the data with any periods of recording absence shown from the initial temporary inception of the ROAD based cycle lane through to the latest available date for the now permanent ROAD based cycle lane.

Just to emphasise, this is the data which relates solely to the ROAD based new cycle lane and the request is not only for data recorded, but also for dates where the recording of data was not possible or unsuccessful.

Our response:

In processing your request we liaised with colleagues within Transport as they would hold the information in relation to your request were this information to be held by the council.

We can confirm that the information requested is held by the council. The information you requested is detailed below and attached.

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Response: The decision to make the changes to the A259 between West Street and Forth Avenue were made permanent by the Environment, Transport and Sustainability Committee on the 16th November 2021.

Under section 21 (1) (Information accessible to the applicant by other means) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act), we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible by other means and even if there is a charge or fee to obtain this information.

The information you have requested is publicly available please find the report compiled by Council Officers [HERE](#). This report contains all the evidence and a recommendation that the Committee made their decision on, along with their own personal judgement.

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Response: We have a variety of data for the specific west bound on-street protected cycle lane only, which are attached. the files are related to the following data collected:

'ID05867 A259 Seafront - West Bound Break Down 7 Day Count 2021.xlsx' - This is a cycle count which was commission by Council officers on the 10th - 16th June 2021.

'Cycle Site 951 Monthly Counts WestBound October 2019 - Feb 2022.xlsx' - This data has been captured by the Council's Automatic Traffic Counter (ATC)

located by Oriental Place. Areas where data is not present in this sheet is what the ATC only collected incomplete counts or was not functioning at all.

Please quote the reference number **11026484** in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an Internal Review. Internal Review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of receipt of this response and should be addressed to:

foicases@mail.brighton-hove.gov.uk

or by post to the address at the top of this letter.

If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the Internal Review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF.
Telephone: 0303 123 1113
Website: www.ico.org.uk

We will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

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