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Dear Committee members,

Thank you for your letter of 15 May 2025 about the need for safety infrastructure for cyclists in Hamilton.

I am aware of Jessica Moser's death and of the other recent collision involving a cyclist that you mentioned. It is a tragedy for anyone to be injured or killed on our roads.

The Government is committed to investing in roading infrastructure where there is a clear safety benefit for improving safety. NZ Transport Agency (NZTA) has forecast a \$460 million investment in walking and cycling infrastructure over 2024-27 to complete current projects and provide for footpath and cycle path maintenance and renewals.

Other intersection and safety improvements can also be funded from the Local Road Improvements activity class of the National Land Transport Fund. Local Councils are responsible for proposing improvement projects, and NZTA will allocate funds based on funding availability and priorities signaled in the Government Policy Statement on land transport 2024. I suggest you contact Hamilton City Council to discuss any ideas about specific safety improvements on roads in your community.

NZTA also has a range of road safety campaigns and promotion activities. Its BikeReady initiative provides approximately \$10 million for councils across New Zealand to support bikes in schools and provide cycle skills training. NZTA also publishes the road code, including specific guidance for heavy vehicle drivers and cyclists. You can read this here: www.nzta.govt.nz/roadcode.

Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chris Bishop'.

Hon Chris Bishop
Minister of Transport