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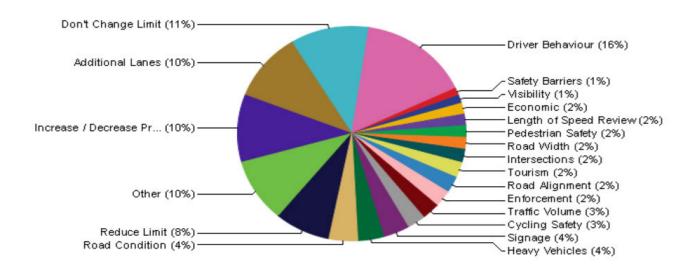
Thank you for your request of information about our decision on the State Highway 6 (SH6) Blenheim to Nelson speed limits review via Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's Facebook page on 11 November 2020. We have treated your below request under the provision of the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

I want to see % for % against. That is way to much reading...

The consultation phase is used to seek any additional information from stakeholders or the public that will help inform the decision about the proposed speed limit changes. During formal consultation we proposed new speed limits and asked the public the following question "Are there any other factors that we should consider when making our decision?" The consultation for proposed speed limit changes is not a vote - it is about seeking valuable local and community input so that we can consider wider factors and context in our decisions. Due to the nature of the question, Waka Kotahi does not record the percentage of those who oppose and those who support the proposal in the way that you have requested.

While we do not directly ask people whether they support or oppose the proposed speed limits, we have reflected their submissions into a diagram below to show any issues and concerns raised. The information in the summary of the speed review consultation, particularly heading four titled "Summary and Response to Submissions" will assist you with reading the diagram. We have published the summary of the speed review consultation here: https://www.nzta.govt.nz/assets/projects/sh6-blenheim-to-nelson-speed-consultation/sh6-blenheim-to-nelson-speed-review-consultation-summary.pdf.

## Issues Raised - Total Events



As the requested information itself is not available, I am obliged to refuse your request under section 18(g)(i) of the Act. This section allows the refusal of information because it is not held by Waka Kotahi and we have no grounds for believing that the information is held by another department or organisation.

Under section 28 of the Act, you have the right to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision to refuse this request. The contact details for the Ombudsman can be located at <a href="https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz">www.ombudsman.parliament.nz</a>.

If you would like to discuss this reply with Waka Kotahi, please contact Andrew Burdett, Speed Management Programme Lead, by email to Andrew.Burdett@nzta.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

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