

Speed Limit Breaches

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Request

Are the council-owned cars used by staff and/or elected members monitored for speed limit breaches?

What processes and/or systems are used to monitor and record speed limit breaches?

Is the level of speed limit breach categorised e.g. over 10km/h, over 20km/h? Could you explain how these categories might work?

If speed limit breaches are recorded, could you list the total number of speed limit breaches for each the following time periods:

- Full year 2020
- Full year 2021
- Full year 2022
- Full year 2023
- 2024 up to the most recently available data.

If the speed limit breaches are categorised by the level of speed limit breach, may I receive the number for each category in each of the time periods specified? Could you specify what each category is?

If the speed limit breaches are not already categorised, may I receive the number in the each of the time periods specified in each of the following categories:

- Speeds 5-10km over the speed limit
- Speeds 10-20km over the speed limit
- Speeds 20-30km over the speed limit
- Speeds 30-40km over the speed limit
- Speeds 40-50km over the speed limit
- Speeds 50-75km over the speed limit
- Speeds 75-100km over the speed limit
- Speeds more than 100km over the speed limit

What was the highest speed limit breach recorded for each of the time periods specified?

For each of these highest recorded speed incidents, could you list the timeframe in which the speed limit was exceeded?

What processes are followed with staff and/or elected members when they are recorded breaching the speed limit?

Council Response


We have received several LGOIMA regarding speed limit breaches. For transparency, we are providing each requestor with all of the information that has been requested.

The Council's primary speed compliance mechanism is the use of speed infringement notices. While Council has a telematics system in its vehicles, this is not used to monitor speed limit breaches. The Council primarily uses its telematic data for utilisation assessment, security and safety (particularly for workers working alone). It also reactively uses the data for disciplinary purposes.

The Council transfers all speed infringement notices to the driver of the vehicle. Drivers are responsible for any fines. Repeat offenders may be subject to restrictions on the use of Council's fleet.

See below the table for speed infringement notices over the period of 2021 to 2024. We do not hold this data for 2020.

	Count of Date	Max of Over Speed	Average of Over Speed
2021	4	11	7.25
2022	6	10	6.83
2023	16	16	8.63
2024	14	10	8.43
Grand Total	40	16	8.09



Drivers of vehicles who receive a speed infringement notice are liable for any fines. If there is repeated behaviour or serious offending, employees may face disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. Drivers may also be temporarily or permanently banned from using the Council fleet vehicles.

We cannot break down the data as requested in question 6 as our data is not recorded in that form. We have instead provided you with the maximum and average speed over. We have declined questions 3, 5, 6 and 8 under the following section of the LGOIMA:

- 17(e) – the information requested does not exist or cannot be found